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A MATTER OF OPINION

DIPLOMATIC observers in Moscow and in Western capitals seem to have varying opinions over the latest letter sent to President Eisenhower by Marshal Bulganin.

Moscow sources point out that the Soviet Premier said that as far as preparations for a conference at the highest level is concerned, "we are convinced that if agreement is achieved to hold such a conference, then procedure and other suggestions concerning the practical implementation of such an agreement could be settled without special difficulty. These concessions could be agreed on via customary diplomatic channels."

Step Forward

THIS is taken to mean in Moscow that the note is a step forward to a heads of government meeting, but both London and Washington are of the opinion that no progress has been made.

The United States insists that a summit conference must be prepared by a preceding meeting of all Foreign Ministers, but this has been rejected by Marshal Bulganin who appears to object to the presence of the American Secretary of State, Mr. Foster Dulles, as a negotiator.

In his letter the Soviet Premier said he noted that considering the biased position of certain participants in a ministerial conference, the Russians could not be confident that talks at that level would not create additional obstacles to the organization of a summit conference.

Distinct Jibe

THIS is a distinct jibe at the Secretary of State, but on the other hand Soviet leaders have several times stated that they regard President Eisenhower as a man of peace.

No doubt the Russians have taken issue with Mr. Dulles over his recent statement that in his opinion if a summit conference did not take up the problem of reunification of Germany on the basis of free elections it would be much better not to have the conference at all.

It is therefore plain that the Russians would prefer to deal direct with the President and thus avoid complications which might arise at a Foreign Ministers meeting.

But Britain, judging from the speech by the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, to the Bagdad Pact meeting last week, has given up insistence on a preceding Foreign Ministers meeting and might be willing to agree to Soviet insistence on preparations through diplomatic channels.

No Reference

MR Lloyd made no reference to the need for a Foreign Ministers meeting and he said that the level of the talks did not matter what mattered was that concrete results should be obtained.

Further consultations between the Western leaders are needed to reconcile their own positions before they can attempt any new negotiations with the Russians.

But the political climate is much clearer now than it was some months ago and there is no reason why the current exchange of letters should not eventually lead to a meeting between the heads of government later in the year.

TORIES WIN CONFIDENCE VOTE

Stormy Debate On Bank Rate 'Leak' Ends

London, Feb. 4. Prime Minister Harold Macmillan's Conservative Government won a confidence vote today on its handling of the famed bank rate "leak" affair of last September.

ZETA CAN NOW REACH 15 MILLION DEGREES C.

London, Feb. 4. Dr. Peter Thonemann, Australian-born scientist engaged in Britain's thermo-nuclear research programme said tonight that no further obstacles lay in the path of "Zeta" reaching temperatures of 15 million degrees Centigrade.

Zeta is the machine at the Atomic Energy Research Establishment at Harwell, Berkshire, which is being used in experiments to harness the power of the hydrogen bomb for peaceful purposes.

IN A POSITION

Dr. Thonemann added: "We are now in a position to proceed with the next stage to reach these temperatures."

He was speaking in a British Broadcasting Corporation interview.

Dr. Thonemann said he thought that when 15 million degrees had been reached the efficiency of Zeta would be almost 100 per cent.

Dr. Thonemann believed that Zeta would become a source of useful power in "not less than 10 and not more than 50 years."—Reuter.

NO CHANCE OF PEACE ON CYPRUS — KUTCHUK

Nicosia, Feb. 4. Turkish Cypriot leader Dr. Fazil Kutchuk stated today on his return to the island from Ankara that there is no possibility of peace and security returning to the island under the present administration.

The British Government is trying to find an experimental administration which includes self-government, but this is impossible on an island with a homogeneous population. Independence is also unacceptable," he stated.

"No matter what efforts are made, there is no possibility of two Cypriot communities living together under the same flag," Kutchuk continued.

He stressed that the problem of Cyprus cannot remain in abeyance indefinitely. "The British Government must accept the consequences if Archbishop Makarios returns to Cyprus," he said.—United Press.

YOUNG WIFE ACQUITTED OF MURDER

Franklin, Penn., Feb. 4. A jury today found Mrs. Lydia Dean innocent of the rifle slaying of her 18-year-old husband.

The verdict was returned after four hours and 37 minutes of deliberation by a panel of seven men and five women. Mrs. Dean, a 22-year-old naturalized citizen, broke into tears when the verdict was

The vote, 320 to 256 was one of the biggest margins received by the Government in several months. It topped off a stormy debate in the House of Commons without precedent since the ill-fated Suez attack of 1956.

Reginald Maudling, Treasurer and Paymaster-General, accused Labour's Harold Wilson of carrying out a campaign of slander in the House against the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Peter Thorneycroft and British business dignitaries.

Difficulty

The House speaker had difficulty at times making himself heard above the tumult of some dozen MPs all talking at once.

The bank rate hearings were held to investigate reports that news of the impending bank rate boost had been "leaked" to businessmen. The Board of Inquiry said it found no evidence to substantiate the reports.

Uproar broke out just before the vote over a demand by Mr. Hugh Gaitskell, the Labour (opposition) Leader, for information about whether a letter from the Governor of the Bank of England was given to the Lord Chancellor.

Disclosed

The Lord Chancellor made an investigation before the tribunal was appointed and decided there was no case for an inquiry.

Mr. Gaitskell said the letter disclosed that private information had come to the Government about transactions by three corporations in which directors of the Bank might be, or held to be, concerned. He felt an attempt was being made to cover up the situation.

Mr. Reginald Maudling, Paymaster-General, reported that the Government had said he was confident in the three instances that everything was proper and there was no question of irregularity.

Confidential

He declined to disclose the Lord Chancellor's proceedings, which were confidential.

Labour members repeated-ly urged him to say whether the letter had been seen by the Lord Chancellor (Lord Kilmer), but Mr. Maudling refused to say.

The Government majority in the first vote would have been one higher if a Conservative MP had not dropped out to sleep despite the noise. Fellow Conservatives came back for him from the voting lobby, but too late.—France-Press and Reuter.

Road Closed

Belfast, Feb. 4. Northern Ireland authorities today blocked with a piling of spikes the main road between Londonderry and the republican border town of Letterkenny, County Donegal.

The authorities, trying to check terrorist raids from across the border by nationalist extremists, have now closed all roads except one between Londonderry and the Irish Republic.—China Mail Special.

A PERFECT STRUCTURE — BUT NOT TO LIVE IN

Paris, Feb. 4. A 36-story skyscraper, the tallest building in Cairo, may never be lived in, the Egyptian weekly magazine "Ashker Sa", which arrived here today suggested.

Only a few weeks away from completion, the architects of the \$714,286 building have discovered that:

★ The Cairo water system is not capable of pumping water to the top storeys.

★ Cairo's fire department does not have ladders long enough to fight a possible blaze.

★ The seasonal flooding of the Nile would undermine the skyscraper which is built on the river bank.

★ The building is so badly balanced that the slightest earthquake could topple it.

Aside from these minor drawbacks, the Cairo skyscraper can be considered a perfect technical success, the magazine concluded.—France-Press.

SOEKARNO WARNED IN TOKYO

Opposition Govt To Be Set Up

Tokyo, Feb. 5. An emissary of the Indonesian rebel movement said today he was awaiting announcement at any moment of the establishment of a revolutionary government in Indonesia.

Lieut-Col Ventje Sumual, rebel military commander of east Indonesia and one of the leaders of the "young colonel" revolt against the pro-Communist policies of Djakarta, said President Soekarno had been notified of the impending action by the rebel leaders in Padang, Sumatra.

Establishment

Sumual, a crop-haired, husky 34-year-old veteran of the Indonesian war of independence, said the rebel Bakhting Radda would announce the establishment of the revolutionary regime "perhaps today or tomorrow."

This, he said, was the next stage in the flight of the military junta against the coalition gov-

ernment (which includes Communists) of Premier Djanda in Djakarta.

Sumual, who met the United Press in a Tokyo hotel where he has been registered under a fictitious name since January 23, described as another, earlier step in the plan of the revolutionaries the notification to Soekarno that they planned to set up an opposition government.

Confirming an exclusive United Press report on Thursday, Sumual said the plan was relayed to the President, who is visiting Japan, at the Japanese Government guest house on Monday, by Col Warouw, military attache at the Indonesian Embassy in Peking.

In Hongkong

Warouw, who joined Sumual in Hongkong, flew back to Hongkong on Tuesday night en route back to his post in the Chinese capital.

"His mission has been completed," Sumual said.

President Soekarno denied in a radio broadcast that he had received an "ultimatum" from Warouw but was travelling and could not be contacted today for an immediate comment.

The colonel said he himself was "planning to leave for home as soon as possible."

"I think my mission has been achieved," he declared. "The planned result has been realized."

The rebel leader said that he had other objectives in Japan besides that of "telling President Soekarno what may happen."

But he refused to expand on this statement.—United Press.

West German Communist Arrested

Duesseldorf, Feb. 4. West German police clamped down on three Communist front organizations today and arrested a former Red Member of Parliament.

Flying Squads raided offices and seized records of the organizations in the five German states where they were active. The police acted "under the Federal Supreme Court decision of August, 1956 which outlawed the Communist Party and front organizations."

The raids took place in the states of North Rhine-Westphalia, Bavaria, Hesse, Baden-Wuerttemberg, and Lower Saxony.

Police arrested former Communist M.B. Walter Eish in his home at Wuppertal where they reported finding Red propaganda material and large amount of money.—United Press.

Two Weeks To Prepare

London, Feb. 4. Duke Miguel Primo De Rivera, who resigned last week as Spanish Ambassador to Britain after being named in a divorce case, was today allowed two weeks to prepare an answer to charges made against him by Major Anthony Greville-Bell, former British parachutist.

Greville-Bell had cited the 65-year-old former Ambassador in a divorce suit against his wife, Helen, 28.

In a brief hearing today, De Rivera's attorney told the court that his client had resigned his post and no longer claimed diplomatic immunity.—France-Press.

Post Office Engineers Awarded Pay Boost

London, Feb. 4. An arbitration tribunal has awarded a wages rise that will mean £3,500,000 more a year for 75,000 Post Office engineering workers. It was announced tonight.

It was the first big pay award by the Civil Service Arbitration Tribunal since a tough government policy on wages was announced in the House of Commons last October.

The Post Office Engineering Union announced tonight that weekly pay increases of from seven shillings to 23 shillings sixpence had been awarded to 50,000 members. The increases are retrospective to July, 1956.

WILL NOT ADD

Consequential pay increases will also be made to the remaining 25,000 workers covered by the Union.

The engineers' claim was referred to arbitration in December when negotiations with the Post Office broke down.

Mr. Charles Smith, General Secretary of the Union, said tonight the increases will not add to the cost of living because telephone charges have already been adjusted months ago to provide for these increases.—Reuter.

Etna Explodes

Catania, Feb. 4. Violent explosions shaking Etna's north-east crater tonight sent a tongue of fiery lava rolling down towards the village of Randazzo, on the lower slopes of the volcano.

Incandescent boulders were hurled several hundred feet into the air.—China Mail Special.

Dulles Sick

Washington, Feb. 4. The State Department reported today that Secretary of State John Foster Dulles is feeling better but is still suffering from a cold.—United Press.

Big Freeze Hits Florida

Chicago, Feb. 4. One of the bitterest winter cold waves on record dealt a staggering blow to Florida's billion-dollar tourist, vegetable and cattle industries today.

The cold was part of a transcontinental weather onslaught which piled up 10-foot snow drifts in the northeast and sent flood waters coursing through streets in California's San Fernando valley.

DEATH TOLL

Thousands of school children had a holiday in the California floodlands and northeast snow belt. But the weather also claimed a mauling toll of lives.

A United Press count showed two men dead in a fire in Florida, six southern California traffic deaths blamed on the rain, and two more dead in a bus-truck crash on an icy highway near Colfax, California, for a total of 10 fatalities.

In Florida, it was feared the cold would prove a death blow to ranchers and farmers.

ICY BLAST

Florida cattle, unused to sub-freezing temperatures, were reported dying by the hundreds on frost-blackened ranges. Tender beans and corn withered before the icy blast, and, with colder weather predicted for Wednesday, it was feared the plants would be killed entirely.

The freeze was Florida's third major cold wave in as many months. The Miami weather forecaster, Gordon Dunn, shuddering at the City's 56-degree low and 66-degree high today, said it was the worst winter on record for the State's lucrative tourist industry.—United Press.

Bread Boycott

Cairo, Feb. 4. A bread boycott spread in Cairo after 20 people died today from food poisoning. Another 195 people were in hospital. Authorities have opened an investigation.—China Mail Special.

PERUVIAN POLICE CALL OFF WAGE STRIKE

Arequipa, Feb. 4. Peruvian Army tanks controlled strategic corners and infantrymen were posted on roof-tops today while workers cleared the barricades remaining from a fight last night between soldiers and civilians in which two persons were killed and 11 injured.

The clash stemmed from a strike by the police force in support of demands for higher pay. It involved a platoon of

soldiers and a number of civilians backing the striking policemen.

Shortly after the encounter, the policemen called off the strike to avoid further bloodshed.

Four labour leaders were gaoled as agitators after Government officials in Lima said they had conclusive proof that Communists had incited the civilians against the army. The four are Bernardo Linares, Secretary of the Labour

Federation; Julio Torres, leader of the Construction Workers Union; Manuel Ampuero, leader of the Truck Drivers Union; and Telesforo Sales Naves, Secretary of the Graphic Workers Union.

None of them was directly connected with the police strike but their unions, notably the construction workers, are suspected of including extreme left-wing elements.—United Press.

ONLY a few more days left — and unless you have been in yesterday, you had better come in SOON!

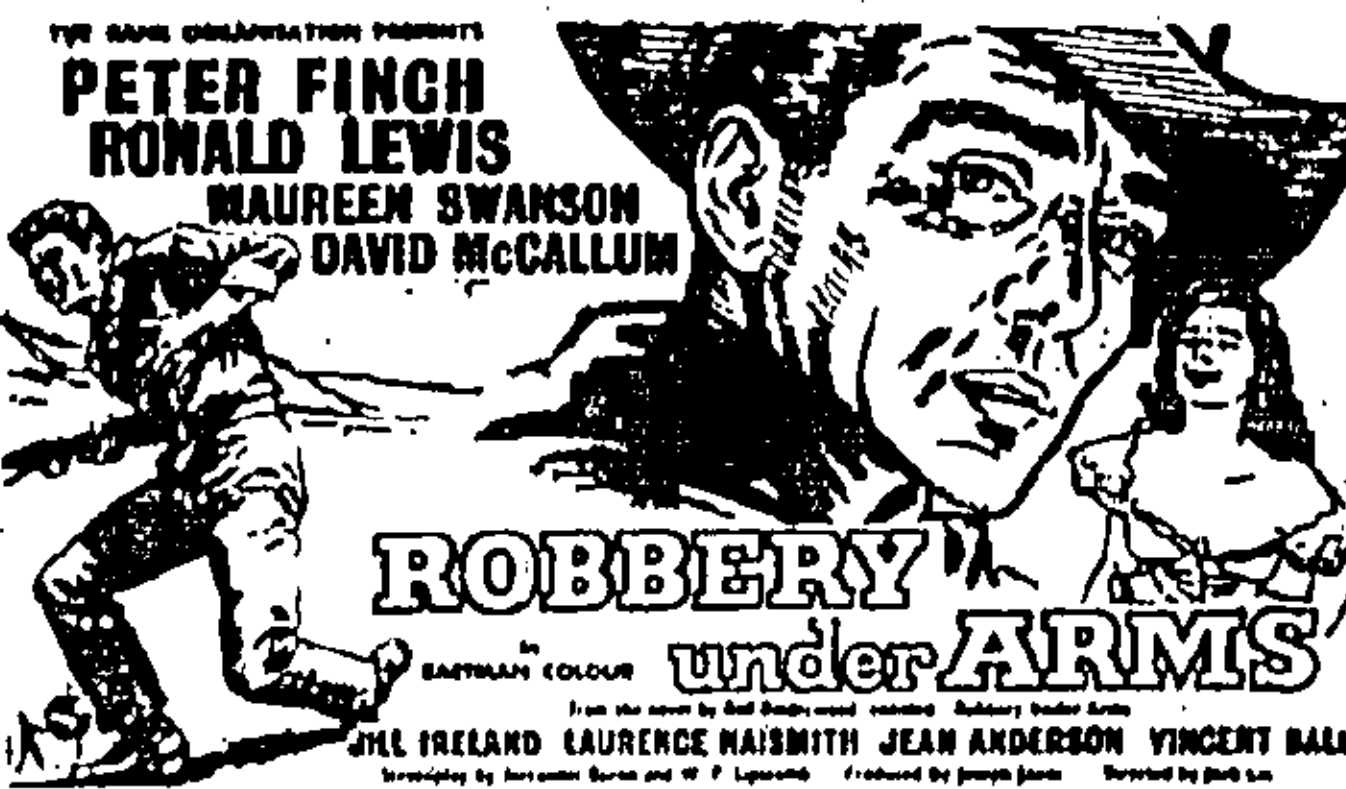
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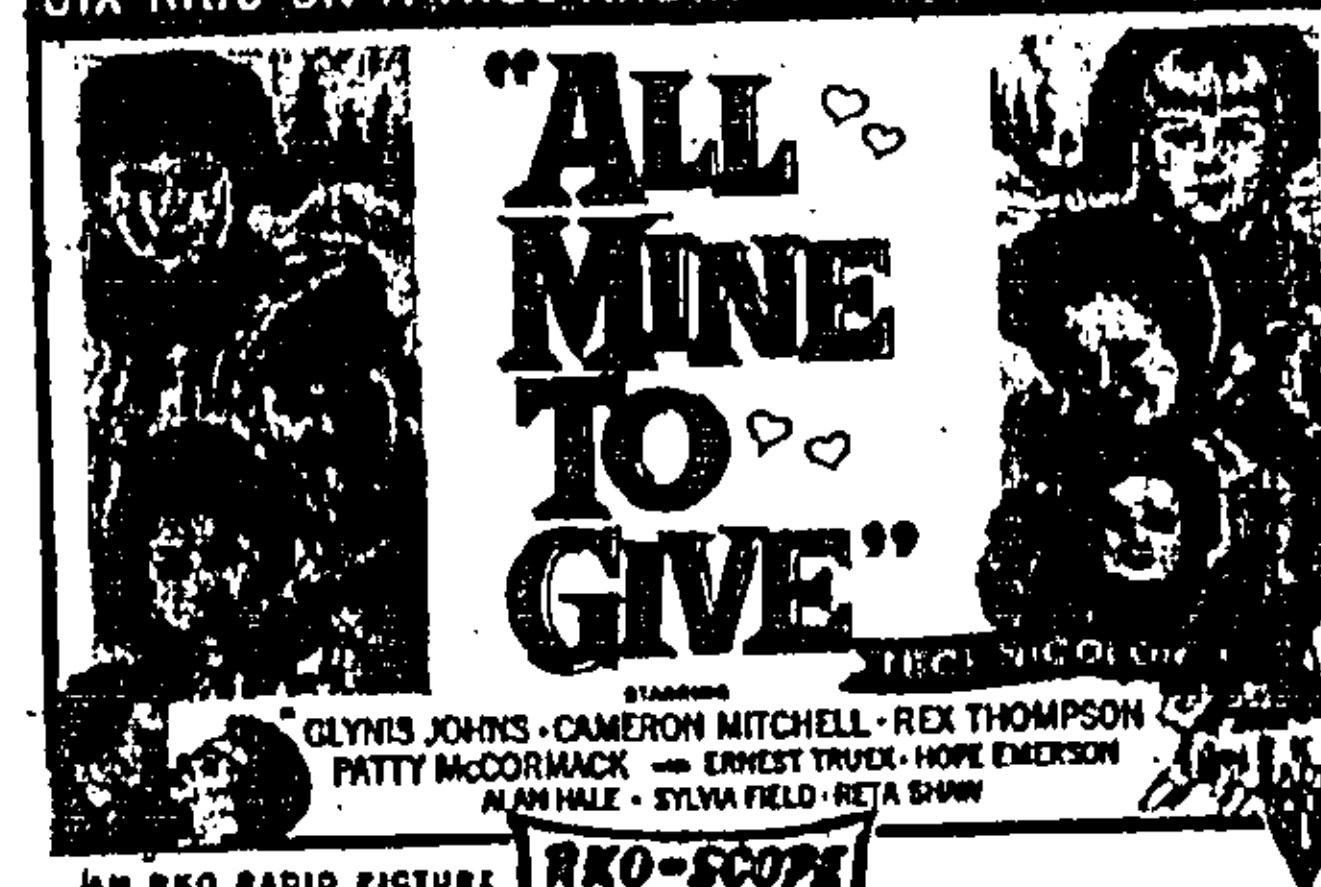
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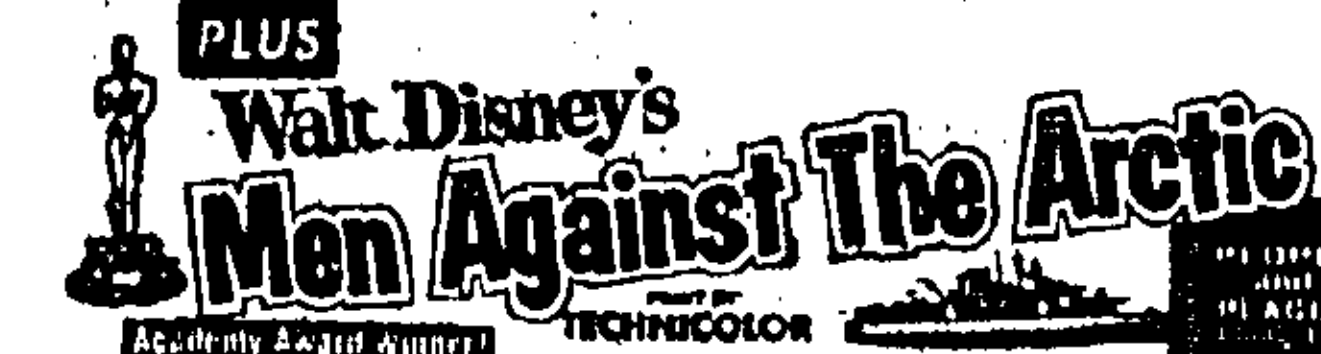
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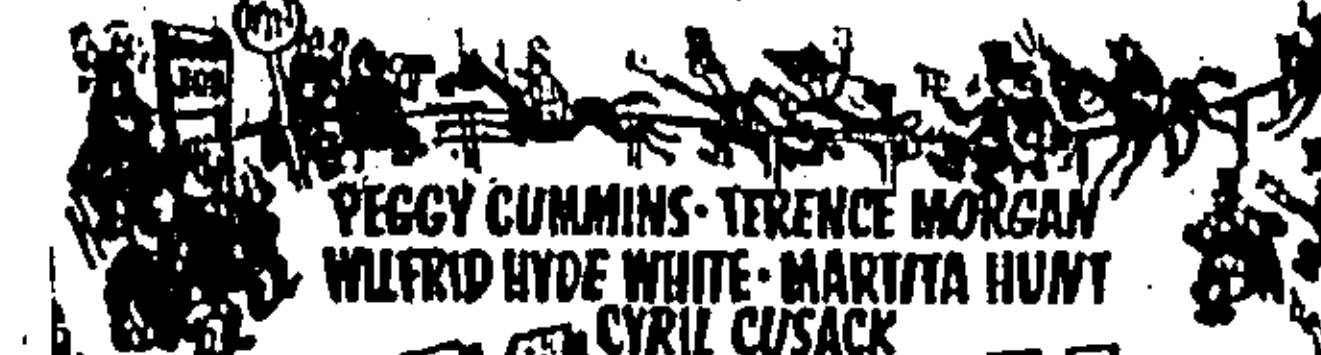
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Syria Complains To Security Council ISRAEL'S SHOW OF FORCE

Soldiers March Into No-Man's Land On Frontier

United Nations, Feb. 4.
Syria complained to the Security Council today that an Israeli detachment of 60 men, escorted by four armoured vehicles and a French-built Mystere jet fighter plane, moved into no-man's-land in north-eastern Palestine this morning. Up to 8.03 GMT, the Syrian Charge d'Affaires, Jawdat Mufti, said in a letter to the council, "the Israeli activity was continuing."

Nude Appears On UK TV Sets —No Protests

London, Feb. 4.
A nude masked fan dancer appeared on Independent (Commercial) Television late tonight—without provoking any immediate viewer protests.

She appeared in a tribute to London's revue theatre, the Windmill, which celebrated its 26th birthday today.

The masked nude star was shown swishing two huge fans around her.

Viewers saw her bare the upper part of her body twice and the whole of her back and legs once. Her completely nude silhouette was shown once.

Why was she masked? A theatre spokesman said: "We did not want anyone to recognize her because at the Windmill nude is anonymous."

Viewers were also introduced to the Windmill's "Girl of the Year", 19-year-old blonde Rosemary Phillips, who showed the cup she won.

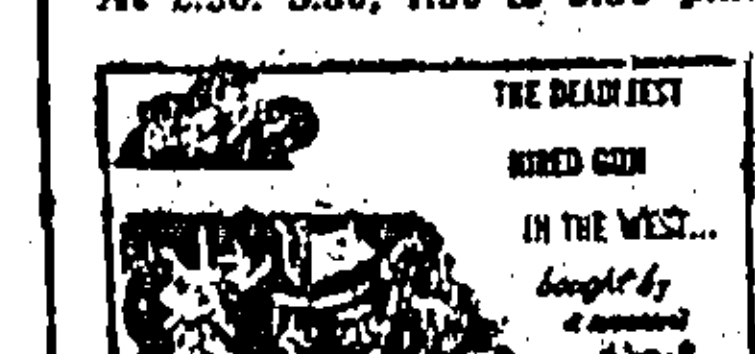
Rosemary achieved fame by remaining perfectly still in a nude pose—as required by British law—when a man leapt on to the stage and advanced towards her.

Typical "Windmill" dances tonight included an Indonesian mime ballet called "Escape to Happiness." —China Mail Special.

Ho Chi Minh

Calcutta, Feb. 4.
North Vietnam's 1 resident, Ho Chi Minh, arrived here by air from Hanoi tonight for a 10-day visit to India.—Reuter.

CAPITOL RITZ

SHOWING TO-DAY
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FERNANDEZ in
"ALL-BAHA & 40 THIEVES"
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ROBERT RYAN
ALDO RAY in
"MEN IN WAR"—POP—
SURPRISE, SURPRISE!
by a woman
dancer!WHAT!
NOBODY
HERE
YET?
by a woman
dancer!TELL POP
WHAT YOU
TOLD THEM
AT SCHOOL
ONLY AS A
JOKE!
by a woman
dancer!THAT YOU'D
BOTH GOT
MUMPS!
by a woman
dancer!SWELL PARTY
by a woman
dancer!PRECIOUS
DROPS
FOR
PRECIOUS
MOMENTS.
CHERRY
HEERING
by a woman
dancer!

A Separation?



Betty Hutton

New York, Feb. 4.
GOSSIP columnist Earl Wilson, of the New York Post, said today that actress Betty Hutton is thinking of separating from her third husband, Alan Livingston.

According to Wilson, blonde Hutton said the separation would be all the more tragic because "we adore each other." —France-Press.

Macmillans Buffeted

Sydney, Feb. 4.
Australians jeered and buffeted Mr. Harold Macmillan here today, according to the British Prime Minister the most enthusiastic welcome so far on his Australian tour.

With his wife, Lady Dorothy, he arrived for a reception given by a conference of Joint Empire Societies.

Lord Carrington, the United Kingdom High Commissioner, and other members of the official party linked arms for several minutes to hold back the crush as the 900 Empire Society members swarmed towards Mr Macmillan.—Reuter.

Next Stop

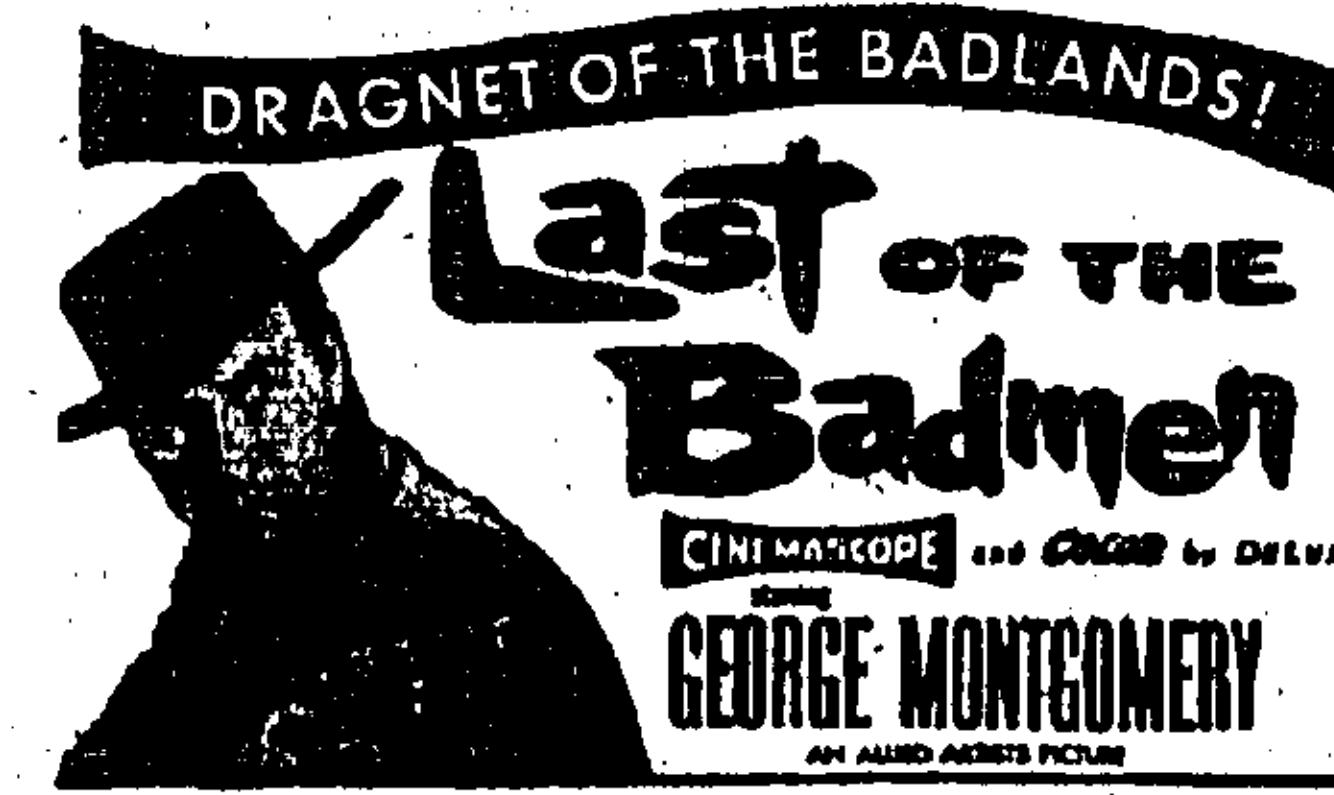
Napier, Feb. 5.
Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, landed at Napier Airport just before noon today on the next leg of her New Zealand tour.—Reuter.

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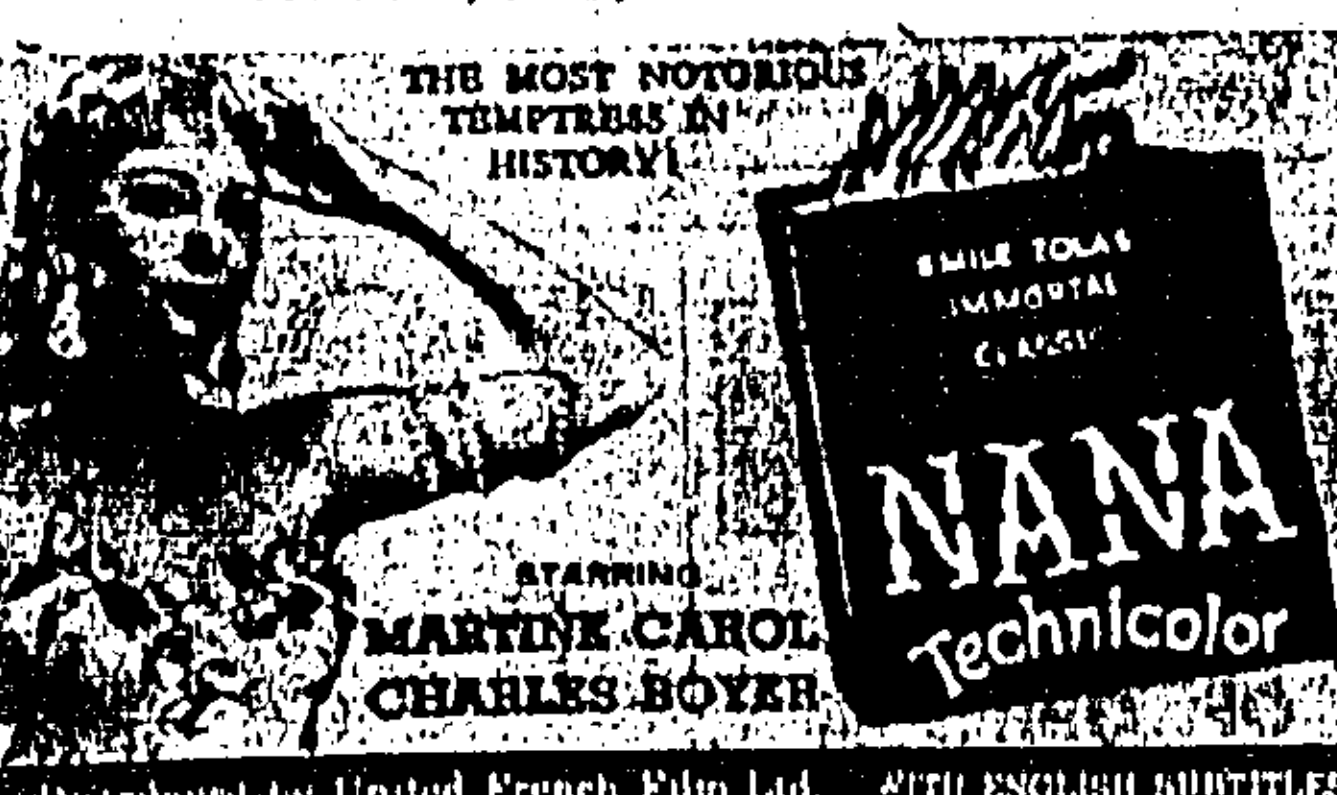
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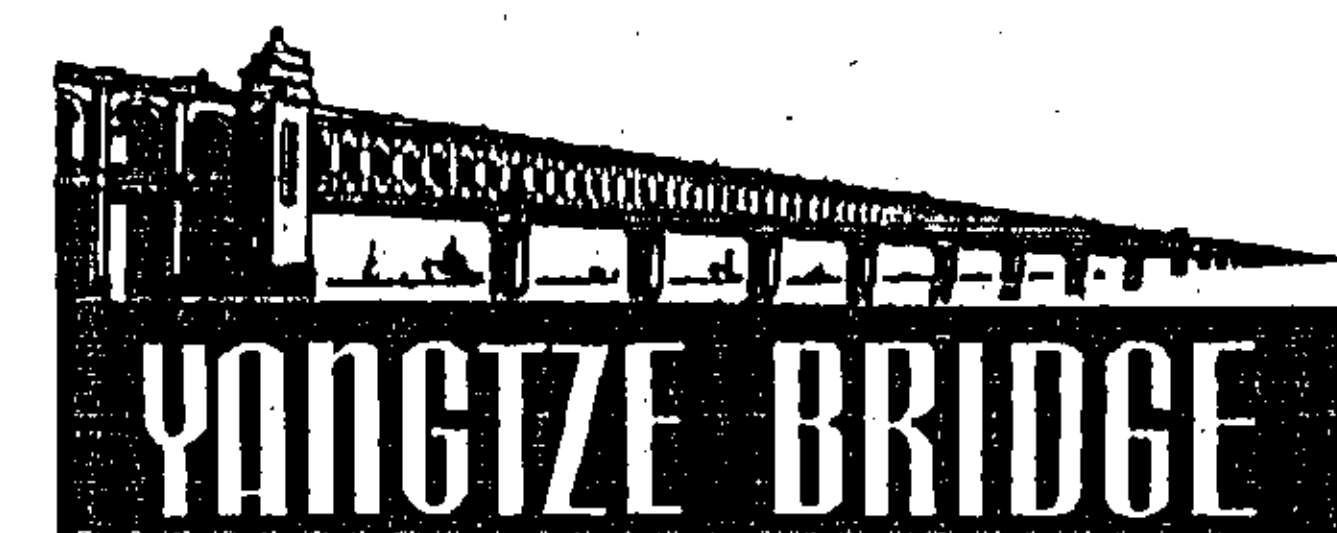
DIRK BOGARDE MARGARET LOCKWOOD KATHLEEN HARRISON
CAST A DARK SHADOW
KAY WALSH

FINAL QUEENS TO-DAY

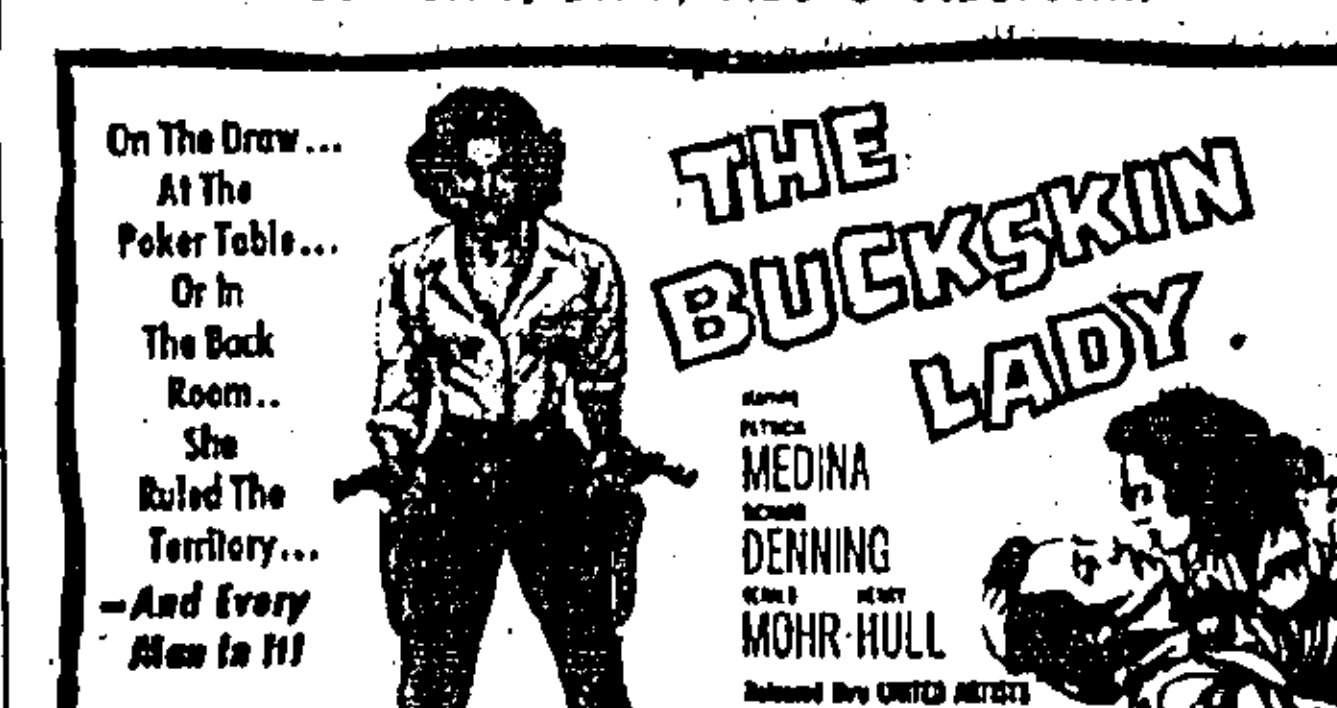
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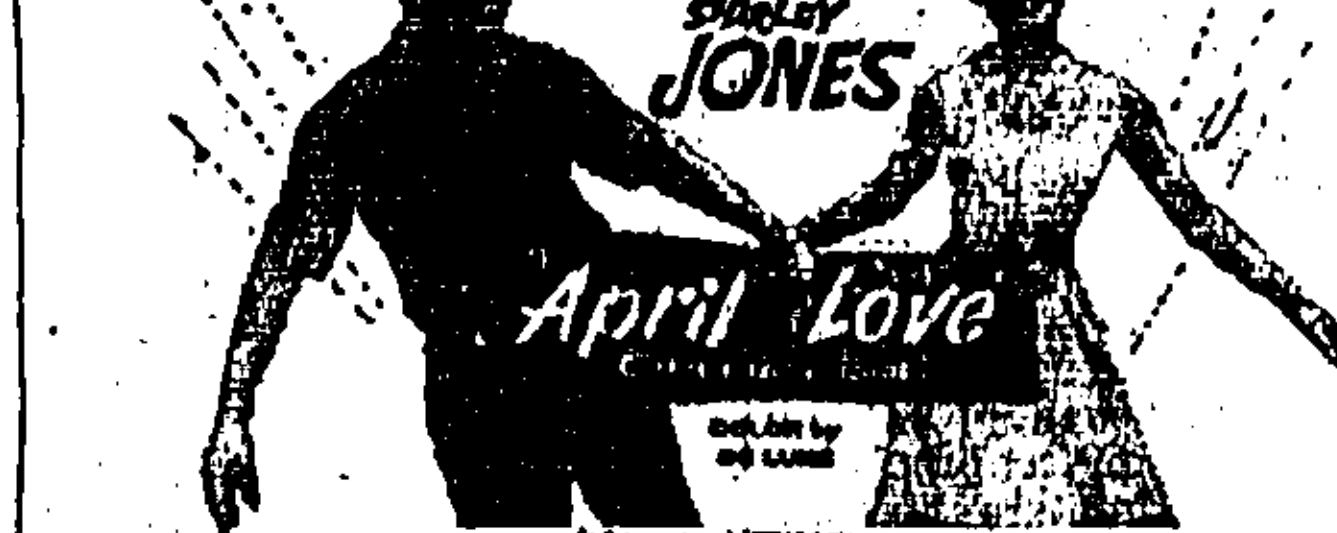
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AT 2.30, 5.30, 7.30 & 9.30 P.M.On The Draw...
At The Poker Table...
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CABLE BRIEFS

San Francisco, Feb. 4.
L. C. Gentry, 31, is charged with having picked a poor place to park his car.
Police charged him with illegally blocking railroad tracks, and a train derailed the car.—United Press.

Aix-en-Provence, Feb. 4.
Joseph Bertrand, 36, charged with driving a two-year suspended sentence yesterday after telling the court he turned down his house because it had been awarded to the ex-wife in a divorce settlement.—United Press.

Milwaukee, Feb. 4.
Police officials have put a 1500-ounce gold bar in a safe. They dined on it, a 1500-ounce morsel, with the owner as he kept calm while they tried to keep the bar from melting.—United Press.

Shelbyville, Feb. 4.
Seven months after he broke out of the county jail, Clarence E. House, 28, returning and asked to be locked up again.
"I can't get a job," he explained, "and I nearly starved in this kind of weather."—United Press.

Miami Beach, Feb. 4.
Teamster Union leaders have chosen the site for their meeting next week to discuss the Union's ouster from the AFL-CIO.
They will meet at the Astor Hotel.—United Press.

Paris, Feb. 4.
First dressmaker, Madame Vranckx, attended a meeting of the French Lap Dog Club and came up today with a change in the sack dress design.
A hand-lined pocket in which to carry a dog.—United Press.

Grimby, Feb. 4.
The local rat catcher, same as was delivered today to a Mr. Carl.—United Press.

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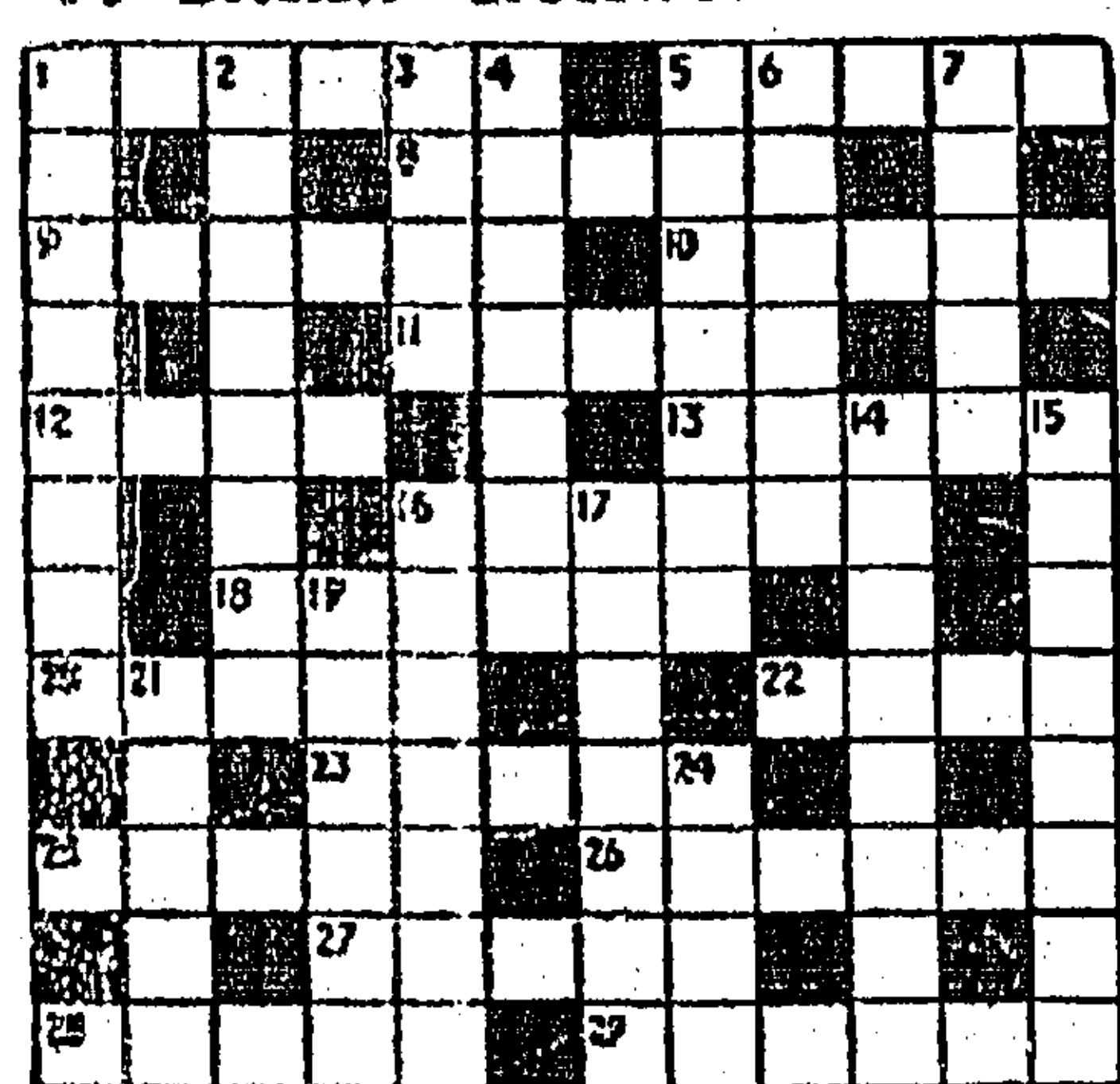
Rocket Fired At S. Pole

Fort Churchill, Feb. 4.
ROCKET scientists fired an Aerobee-III rocket to a height of 117 miles early today, the eighth launching from the sub-Arctic base this year.

The launchings are part of International Geophysical Year experiments with about 21 to be fired from the military base during the current series of winter experiments.

Scientists said the liquid-fueled Aerobee was fired in an effort to study the ionosphere. They said information received by radio from the rocket was excellent.—United Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
1. In which fish learn to swim? (8)
 2. Stretch of river (5)
 3. Enraptured (5)
 4. And bodily? (4)
 5. Schoolboy nickname (5)
 6. The sky, perhaps (3)
 7. Good condition (4)
 8. Approaches (5)
 9. The first to arrive (4)
 10. Broad (5)
 11. A sportsman should be a good one (5)
 12. Something to eat (4)
 13. They feature in Jewish scenery (5)
 14. Unsuitable (5)
 15. Receptive (5)
 16. Fifty money? (6)
 17. Introduction (5)
 18. Towels, for example (6)
- DOWN**
1. Shell fragments (8)
 2. Is he always serene? (8)
 3. Verbal exam (4)
 4. Writing should be (7)
 5. Purified, being genteel (7)
 6. Bucks up no end (6)
 7. Provide provisions? (8)
 8. For a certain figure (2, 1, 5)
 9. Timber cutters (8)
 10. Migrant (7)
 11. One with a yellow streak good one (5)
 12. Just folk (6)
 13. He's got something (5)
 14. Prophet (4)

TUESDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3, Glee; 7, Proud; 8, Ribs; 9, Earl; 10, Convent; 12, Lead; 13, Beet; 14, Glee; 15, Mire; 16, Green; 17, Aye; 18, Strip; 19, Dart; 20, Reduc; 21, Aye; 22, Aye; 23, Aye; 24, Aye; 25, Aye; 26, Aye; 27, Aye; 28, Aye.

US Satellite Sends Message Of Hope

Can Man Survive Space Flight?

Meteors And Cosmic Rays Won't Be A Hazard

Washington, Feb. 4.
America's Explorer satellite has radioed from its orbit a hopeful indication that man can survive a flight through space. Scientists at the California Institute of Technology Jet Propulsion Laboratory said preliminary information from the first United States satellite indicates cosmic rays and particles of meteors will not be a hazard to space travellers.

At the same time, Army experts were reported seeking permission to launch a 300-pound "Seeing-Eye" television satellite and another one weighing 700 pounds that could be the forerunner of a permanent space station revolving around the globe.

Dr. William R. Pickering, Director of JPL, said the speed of the Explorer cruising through space at 18,000 miles an hour in an orbit ranging from 230 to 1,600 miles away from earth could keep it aloft "perhaps 12 years." However, its two radio transmitters are expected to go silent in about two months.

JPL scientists who worked on the project said the preliminary data on cosmic radiation and meteoric particles was the first important finding of the Explorer which was launched last Friday night by the Army.

The finding bore well for the pilot of the X-15 experimental rocket plane which will try to reach 100 miles above the earth next year.

TV Satellite

Other scientists gave estimates ranging from six years to 10 years of life for Explorer. Russia's Sputnik I, launched on October 4, stayed up three months. Sputnik II passed the three-month mark yesterday.

Defence Department sources said neither Army proposals for 300 and 700 pound satellites had been approved. The Air Force already has contracted with Lockheed Aircraft for construction of a TV-reconnaissance satellite.

Army officials have claimed to congressional investigators, however, that they should be given the TV satellite because of the Army's present mission of worldwide communications and mapping.

The X-15

Lt. Gen. Donald L. Pitt, Deputy Chief of Staff for Development, said the X-15 rocket plane will be "much more" a space craft than an aircraft. He said that once the X-15 is a proven success, putting a man in an orbiting space vehicle would be a "relatively easy follow-on."

"Today we are poised at the very edge of sustained journeys by man into outer space," the General said.

It was disclosed a "space center" bounced signals off the Moon to help line up the stations which track the Explorer satellite. The center is a giant radio transmitter which has a beam equal to 1,500,000 watts.

In preparing for the launching of the Explorer, the space center beamed signals to the Moon from January 14 to January 28 so that the Moon's position could be determined throughout the Western hemisphere could be determined precisely to the same frequency.—United Press.

Jews' Graves Desecrated

Stuttgart, Feb. 4.
German police offered a \$125 reward today for information on the unknown person who overturned gravestones in the Jewish section of Stuttgart cemetery.

Police said 15 gravestones were toppled last Saturday or Sunday night.

The wreckage to the Jewish graves was caused by only one person, police believe.—United Press.

TOO MANY EXPENSIVE TEENAGERS, COMPLAINS MAGAZINE

New York, Feb. 4.
Too many expensive teen-age children is one reason north American consumers are less willing to buy autos appliances and other luxury and semi-luxury goods, the magazine Business Week said today.

In an article entitled "Why The Consumer Is Losing His Enthusiasm For Goods," Business Week said it costs more and dad too much just to feed, clothe, and educate the teen-agers and give them a little pocket money so they won't get in trouble.

THIRTY PER CENT
Teen-agers—in the expensive age group—are the fastest growing element in the north American population at the moment, the article said. They are increasing even faster than old people although, overall, the US population is getting older. Business Week said the proportion of teen-agers in the

ABBE ON CHARGE OF DOUBLE MURDER



GUY Desnoyers (centre) being led to the court-room at Nancy, France, recently where he was formally charged with the murder of 19-year-old Regine Fays and her newly-born baby. The Abbe confessed to murdering Regine 13 months ago when she allegedly threatened to expose him as the child's father.—Keystone.

TWO LONDON 'TECS' CHARGED WITH CORRUPTION

London, Feb. 4.
Two detectives were alleged today to have accepted money from a man allowed to receive stolen property.

Detective Inspector John Hammersley, 40, and Detective Sergeant Trevor Heath, 38, both of Brighton Police, were said to have received some £250 between them from the receiver, Ernest Walte.

They were charged with Charles Ridge, 58, suspended police chief of the south coast resort and two other men, Anthony Lyons, 50, and Samuel Bellson, 42, with conspiring to obstruct the course of justice. They have all pleaded not guilty.

It was the second day of their trial which is expected to last about a month at the Old Bailey central criminal court.

ILLEGAL MEAT
The prosecution, which has alleged Ridge accepted money to enable a club to serve drinks after licensing hours, claimed that the police chief and the two detectives also received illegal meat during food rationing days from Walte.

Prosecuting, Sir Harry Hyton Foster, solicitor general, recalled British railways police investigation into a big cigarette robbery.

Hammersley and Heath, he claimed, knew that the cigarettes were being delivered at Walte's home while they were actually engaged on aiding the railway detectives. The receiver was eventually arrested.

The solicitor general also accused Heath of receiving £68 from a woman, Mrs. Alice Bradburn, who was quoted as 15 months on a charge of performing an abortion.

Before her trial she paid Heath money after she asked him if he could "forget" the case for a few pounds sterling.

CONVICTION

The first witness was a Brighton fishmonger, John Robert Leach, who told the jury that a conviction against him of receiving stolen property was quashed on appeal. But before his trial Hammersley said the evidence could be "thrown into the sea" for £250, the witness claimed.

Leach said he refused the offer. His father, Henry Leach, denied he offered the police any inducement to do "their best" for his son.

The trial was adjourned until tomorrow.—China Mail Special.

Sarah Churchill

Nice, Feb. 4.
Miss Sarah Churchill, Sir Winston Churchill's daughter, is expected here on Thursday by air from the United States. It was learned today.

She will join her father who is holidaying at Roquebrune Cap Martin, on the French Riviera.—China Mail Special.

NO NUCLEAR BASES IN PAKISTAN

Karachi, Feb. 4.
The leader of a Soviet Parliamentary delegation visiting Pakistan said today he had been assured that no nuclear bases would be established in this country.

Ivan Benediktov, the leader, said at a news conference the delegation had discussed missile sites with Pakistani leaders, whom he did not name. He had talked briefly last night with Prime Minister, Malik Feroz Khan Noon.

"We were given assurances by some of the top leaders, including Members of Parliament, that there will be no nuclear bases," Mr. Benediktov said.

TWO-WEEK TOUR

The 10-man Soviet delegation completed a two-week tour of Pakistan.

Mr. Benediktov said the Pakistani Government had a "positive" reaction to Soviet offers of economic and technical assistance. The Karachi Government previously had denied that there was a formal offer of aid.

Mr. Benediktov said Russian scientists were working on a third earth satellite. He gave no details but quoted Pakistani newspapers which speculated that the next Sputnik would be twice the size of the second one.—United Press.

She Promises Not To Hit Mother

London, Feb. 4.
A 15-year-old girl promised in court here today not to strike her mother or order her father out of the house.

The girl, who was a juvenile remandee, made the promise to the magistrate.

"I will get a job and will not sit at home all day running the cat of the household and making my parents do as I think."

"I will not be violent, swearing and shouting and breaking up the furniture."

"I will not strike my mother or order my father out of the house."

She had been brought before the court by her parents as beyond their control.

They said her idea was that she was the one to manage the home and not go out to work. The girl was placed under the supervision of the probation officer for two years, a condition, that she kept her promises and did as she was told.—China Mail Special.

The Aga Khan

Karachi, Feb. 4.
The youthful Aga Khan today was reported to have recovered completely from the upset stomach which had confined him to bed.

He left his sick bed yesterday to greet his father, Prince Aly Khan, who arrived from Geneva. The Aga Khan also attended religious ceremonies with 40,000 members of his Ismaili Muslim Sect.—United Press.

"LIGHT AND AIRY" The Space Age Descends On Women's Fashions

By MURIEL PENN

London, Feb. 4.
The space age is here—even in fashions. Michael, who opened the three-day series of spring and summer fashion collections by London's "Big Eleven," the members of the exclusive Incorporated Society of London Fashion Designers, this morning topped all his models with hats based on the popular conception of a space helmet.

Light and airy, usually made by Madame Verner of closely pleated, paper thin silk or organdy, these hats have a high square helmet crown and fit round the face, hiding the hair line. Some are perfectly straight. Others have a slightly "waisted" effect, marked by a narrow band of ribbon.

In another version, the basic hat was a flat pillbox cap in satin covered with a stiff, helmet-like veil which descended round the face and head almost to chin level.

Space might also be said to be the keynote of the suits and dresses with which they are worn.

COMING SEASON

As in Paris last week, clothes for the coming season are made to touch the figure here and there, mainly at the bust, and the hips, but never to fit it. In line with the general feeling for space, necklines stand away from the neck, and sometimes, especially in cocktail clothes, plunge deeply at the back; waists are only suggested if marked at all and skirts stop abruptly at not more than one inch below the knees.

Even the narrowest of skirts, which may taper to the hemline, make anything but a hobbled walk. Impossible are narrow sheathlike skirts.

With suits, jackets are loose, short and sometimes cut with a wide panel back and front to give a slightly tapering effect. Top coats are voluminous across the shoulders and taper visibly to make a narrower hemline. Michael interpreted this feeling in a brilliant red coat featuring a butterfly effect across the shoulders obtained by a strategically placed knot in the centre back. The same tapered effect was produced in another model by means of deep full, V-cut under each sleeve to give width to the shoulders, and by contrast, the narrowed hemline.

SPACIOUS
Under spacious coats and short loose jackets with dipping backs, blouses are loose and always worn outside. More popular than the traditional silk blouse is a short, loose sleeveless Bolero or sometimes a straight hip-length jumper reminiscent of a Jewish, in matching woolen or other fabric.

The space age, as seen by Michael, decrees an easy fit-and-go-it.

At Mattill, the second couturier to open his collection here, space is still important, but the silhouette is almost entirely semi-fitted.

Mr. Mattill himself said that his theme is "diversity" and summed up his silhouette thus: "Stylized, clear-cut, silhouettes with softly shaped lines, reminiscent of a Jewish, in matching woolen or other fabric."

In his interpretation of the theme, lines flow over an undefined bust and taper to the hemline for daywear, while tight bodices over generous and sometimes extravagantly full skirts give a small waisted effect for late day and evening. Both collections favoured blues, reds, browns, and neutral shades of beige and grey with less black than usual. But Mattill showed the sophisticated, intricately draped silk jersey dress which is the hallmark of all his collections in black.—China Mail Special.

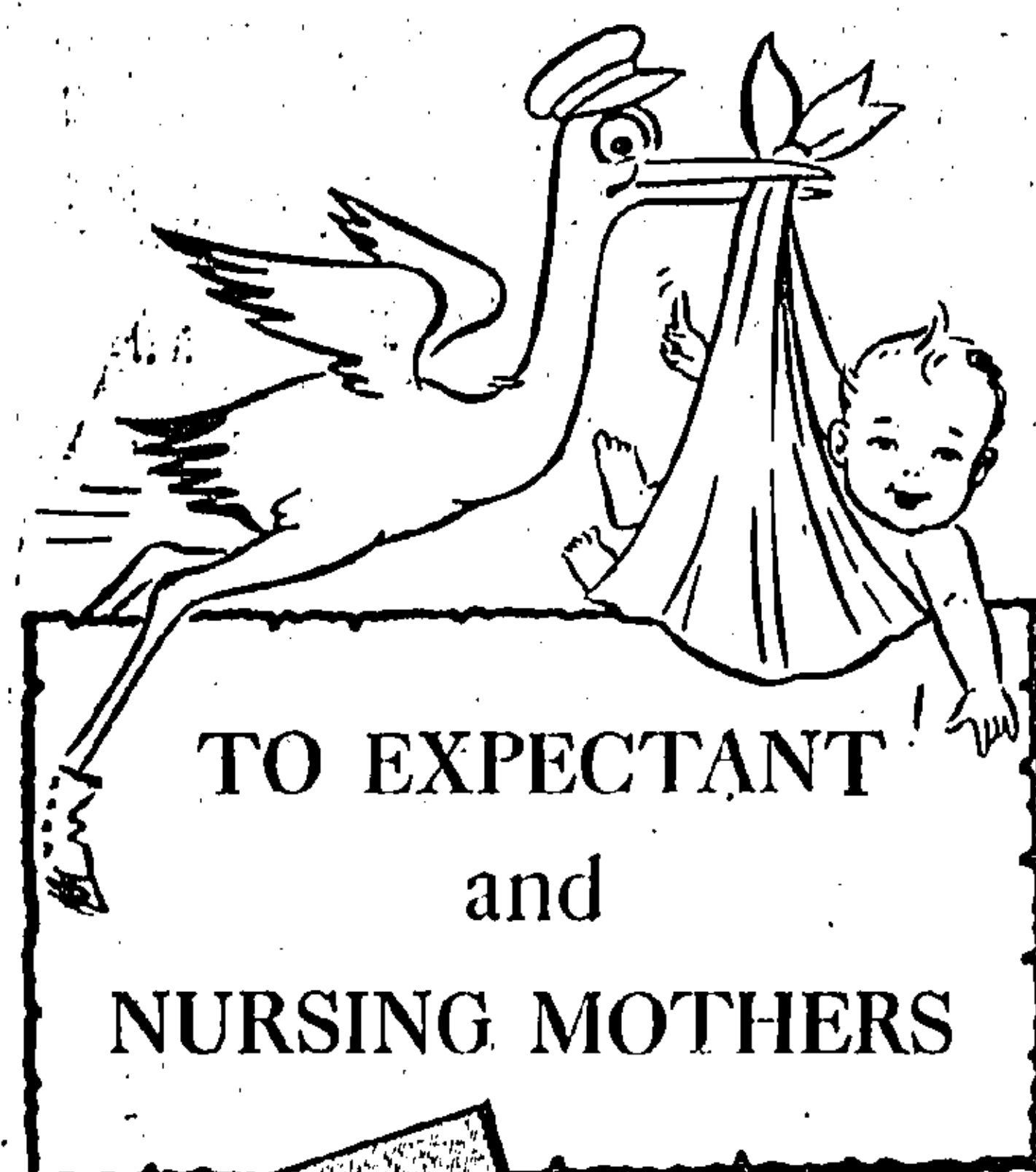


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I'M NO FEMME FATALE, says Miss Swanson

LIMELIGHT by Thomas Wiseman

MISS MAUREEN SWANSON said she was no shrinking violet (with which I agreed) but she had been keeping quiet on a certain matter for fear of causing embarrassment. Now, she thought, it was time she stopped saying "no comment" and spoke up for herself.

Her friendship with Viscount Ednam had been the subject of so much gossip that she now felt obliged to talk. It was only fair to herself.

Upset

She sat very straight on a gilt chair under a picture by Constable in her brand new house in Belgrave. She wore a grey Bolmain dress.

"I am accused," she said, "of being mercenary, a little-hunter, a snob. There are continual snide references to how much my house cost, how many furs I have and what my jewellery is worth. I have to defend myself, don't I?"

I shifted three heavy volumes of the Encyclopaedia of Antiques and one milk coat from the settee and sat down to listen (under a painting by P. Nasmyth, 1818).

Miss Swanson's large, beautiful eyes were wide and ingenuous and contained the

hint of tears to come; they could, one felt sure, melt hearts as if they were just so many pats of butter.

"I am terribly upset," said Miss Swanson and in her distress got up and walked to the Adam fireplace above which hung a gilt framed mirror in which she gave herself a cursory examination.

Satisfied with what she saw (and why not?) Miss Swanson turned to me and said: "I am not a femme fatale. I am not a husband snatcher. I am terribly hurt that my friendship with Lord Ednam has been so wickedly misinterpreted. I feel very strongly about him, very deeply. I hope one day it will be possible for us to marry. I love him." (Pause while lumps in throats are cleared all round.)

"People think," said Miss Swanson in a voice which the Victorian novelists would have described as tremulous, "people think that I broke up Billy's marriage. That is not true. I have been so hurt by what people say about me that some-

times I think I will and the whole thing and give him up. But I love him madly, I adore him—and that has nothing to do with him being a viscount and wealthy, it really hasn't."

Miss Swanson picked up Bubbles, the minute Japanese chin dog, who looks just like Eardina Kiki and was given to her by Lord Ednam; she held him aloft and then planted an affectionate kiss on his nose.

"Billy needs affection," she said, "and so do I."

Bubbles bubbled with delight. "People make jokes about me," said Miss Swanson, "they don't take me seriously. When I go to Pinewood they call out to me, 'Sorry, we've got to lords today.' Well, that sort of thing is very upsetting to a girl. It suggests one is only interested in lords because they are lords, which is an awful thing to say."

At this stage her maid, Ingrid, came in with the poached eggs which Miss Swanson eats before her nightly performance in The Happiest Millionaire.

"I am a career girl," said Miss Swanson, "I am very shy, but I'm also an egotist. I want to be an absolutely fabulous personality. People say I dream of coronets and ermine, but what I really dream about is taking a curling call to thunderous, ear-shattering applause."

The possibility of this particular dream materialising is not as remote as most people might think.

Miss Swanson is a fascinating girl with more than a modicum of talent—she is also, I am sure, quite a handful. I think she would be wasted as a viscountess. But she is the stuff that stars, for better or worse, are usually made of.

PRIVATE'S (DEMOB) PROGRESS

HAVING managed, most profitably, to infuriate the Army with their film Private's Progress, the Boulton Brothers are now planning a sequel to it. Entitled I'm All Right, Jack... it will probably succeed in infuriating the TUC and Big Business.

The story deals with the misadventures of two demobbed soldiers who decide to set up in business. The most profitable enterprises they can find to go into are Big Business—and the trade unions.



MAUREEN SWANSON
"I want to be an absolutely fabulous person."

THE COMMON MARKET MAN

Has Erhard
endless magic
or has he
shot his bolt?



ONE of the most potent figures in Europe today is a chubby owl of a man, 60-year-old Professor Ludwig Erhard, Vice-Chancellor of the German Federal Republic and Minister of Economics.

Yet only ten years ago Erhard was an unknown economist, to many of his contemporaries something of an old-fashioned crank.

At that time he was economics adviser to the Allied commanders of the British and American occupied zones of Germany.

But Erhard had not been chosen for the job as an economic philosopher. He was a market expert and, as important, he was untainted by Nazi affiliations.

For all that, Erhard had a philosophy for the economic reconstruction of his nation and his near-fanatical advocacy of it was fundamentally opposed to the ideas of his Allied bosses.

To them, there was one answer to the hideous economic plight of battered Germany—controls, controls, and more controls. And amid the desolation and the appalling material shortages of those grey post-war days it must have seemed logical that only strict controls and rationing could keep the Germans alive and put them back on their economic feet.

In such a climate Erhard's torrential, eloquent urging of "soziale marktwirtschaft" seemed pathetic babbling.

"Soziale Marktwirtschaft" is untranslatable. Approximately, it means free enterprise without jungle-law economics.

Erhard's philosophy was compounded of two elements: his faith in the economic theory of self and his faith in the spirit and industry of his fellow Germans.

He knew he was gambling. Without the second element, the first must lead inevitably to the chaos that breeds Hitler.

Perhaps the occupation authorities did not share his faith in the resurgence spirit of the Germans. At any rate, they were, to say the least, discouraging.

It certainly looked as if Erhard would never be per-

rupted—in fact, it was a Sunday morning in June 1948—Erhard went on the air to announce that he had cancelled all rationing and price controls with immediate effect.

The Allies were furious. "How dare you relax our rationing system!" they stormed. But, blandly, Erhard answered, "I have not relaxed it... I have abolished it."

The gamble came off—by a hairsbreadth. The Germans were as startled as their conquerors. There was an immediate panic run on previously rationed goods followed by a soaring increase in prices.

Outraged citizens demanded Erhard's head and the trade unions clamoured for an immediate return to rationing and controls.

But Erhard remained outwardly calm. The fluctuating prices would soon settle down, he predicted. But, in the meantime, he invoked the "soziale" of "soziale marktwirtschaft" by causing special legislation to be rushed through providing punishment for profiteers.

At the same time, another Erhard gamble had come off. He had foreseen the rush to snap up consumer goods as soon as rationing was abolished, but he had guessed that, under the stimulus of free enterprise, merchants and farmers would start selling carefully hoarded supplies. And these, he reasoned, would see Germany through until new production, inspired by freed prices, got under way.

It was a near thing, but the gamble had been successful, and straightway Erhard was

Boost

Tax concessions were offered to encourage the building of new factories, to boost exports. Import quotas and tariffs were slashed to bring new materials cheaply to Germany's factories. And he encouraged the import of luxury incentive goods, targets for the workers to strive towards.

But Erhard is no cosseter of the manufacturers; their ranks include some of his direct enemies. His tariff cutting and import quota easing has forced them to keep prices down in the face of threatened foreign competition.

Still, to millions of ordinary Germans, living more handsomely than they have for years, Erhard is a hero. And such is his vote-catching popularity that Chancellor Adenauer, though often alarmed at Erhard's cavalier methods, has to string along with him.

Now it is being said that Erhard is Crown Prince to Adenauer and that when the

old Chancellor retires Erhard will lead West Germany. Whether Erhard, the miracle man of German economics could handle the boss's job is doubtful. He is essentially an economist. Chance brought him into politics and his successes have been when political and economic issues were fused.

He lives for economics. Occasionally he indulges a taste for classical music, but his favourite relaxation is arguing economics with his wife, a trained economist in her own right. He remembers his wedding anniversary by recalling that he was married ten days after the 1923 currency reform.

A First World War wound left him too weak to succeed to his father's dry goods store in Furth, near Nurnberg. Instead, he studied economics at Frankfurt University. For sixteen years he worked in a market research institute in Nurnberg, but lost his job when he refused to throw in his lot with the Nazis.

After that, Erhard used his time evolving a postwar reconstruction plan for Germany.

This came to the notice of the anti-Hitler plotters who were so impressed that they decided that Erhard should be made economics chief when Hitler was overthrown. The plot was uncovered and Erhard was amazingly fortunate to escape undetected.

Because of his single-minded devotion to economics it is the normalcy he has striven to doubtless if Erhard would restore.

make a good national leader. To him political considerations are something to be reluctantly tolerated so long as they do not interfere with his master economist's plan.

His recently announced support for the establishment of a European free trade area has enhanced his reputation as an unchauvinistic German. But his seemingly liberal approach loses some of its shine when it is remembered that Germany is one of the countries which stands to profit most by the setting up of such a free trade area.

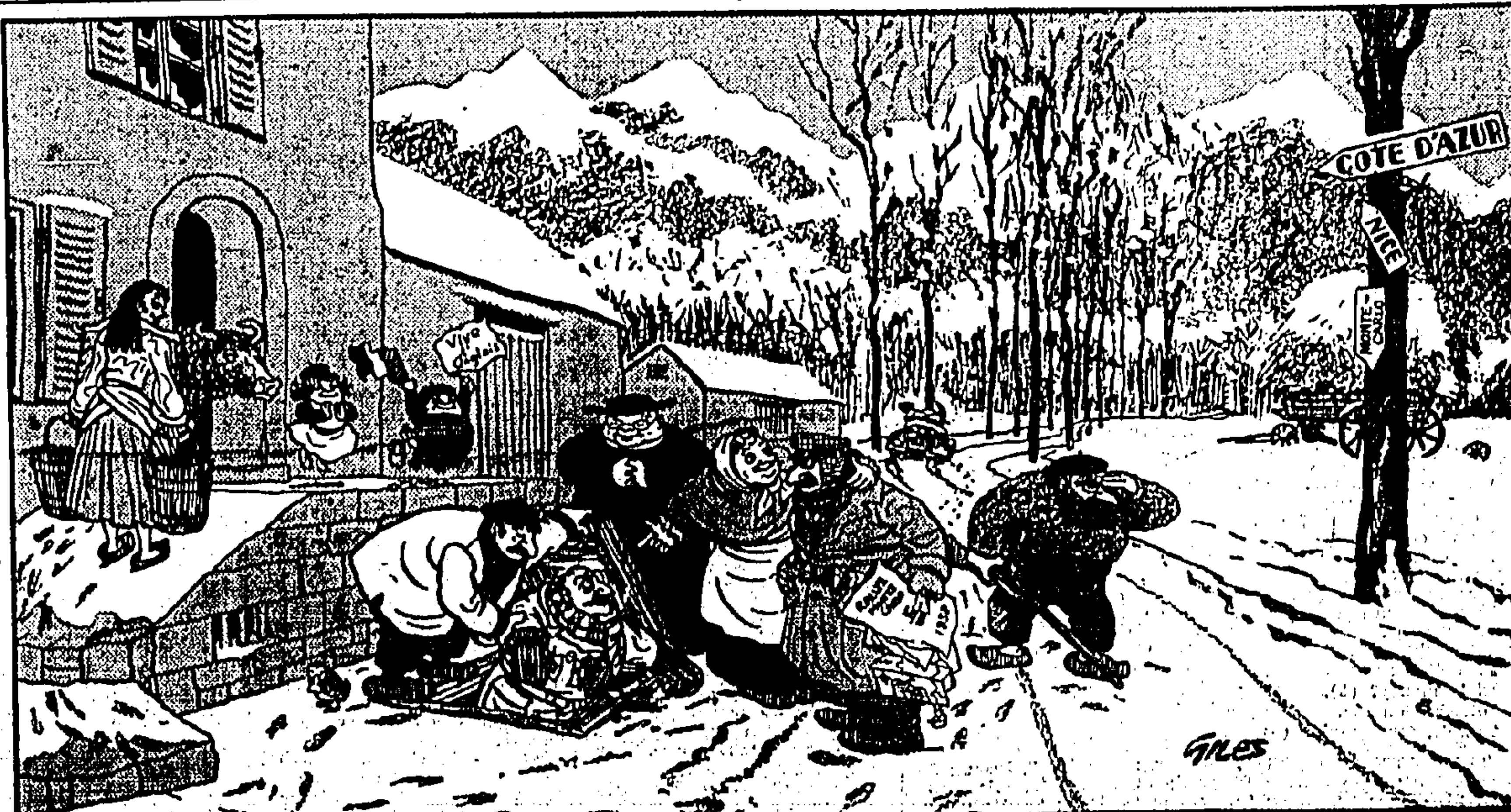
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And here Erhard may have made a major political blunder. For to flourish in a free trade area Germany will have to maintain her fertility production rate—conceivably have to boost it—while keeping her wages and consequently prices low.

While the Germans are passing through a period of inspired reconstruction they will tolerate this. But will they be as tolerant when they feel, as they eventually must, that the time has come to ease off and enjoy the fruits of their labour?

Like so many other men thrown up by history to cope with crises, Professor Ludwig Erhard may be overwhelmed by the normalcy he has striven to restore.

By SIMON KAVANAUGH



"Thanks to your impeccable French they think we're l'Anglais aviateurs and they're going to hide us from the Germans and in a few months ship us back home via their underground movement."

THE EMPHASIS IS NOW ON SPEED

Full-backs Should Start As Forwards—Brains Are More Vital Than Beef

Says TOM FINNEY

The whole art of full-back play is rapidly changing. In fact my advice to any young lad who wants to get ahead as a full-back is to be a forward first.

Sounds silly? No, most of the best full-backs in my time have had a spell as a forward first. I think football fans also appreciate that there is a new approach to the problems of playing at full-back.

But I heard two fans not long ago discussing a young player like this: "Oh, he'll make the grade as a back. He's big, fearless, not afraid to slide in for the ball, and what a big kick he has!"

There was a time when most managers looked for big full-backs with big kicks. But not now. The emphasis is on speed, positional play, ability to cover the centre-half, and clever use of the ball.

As a winger I can say it is getting harder to fox full-backs. But the easiest thing in the world is to beat a back who rushes straight in for the ball. Backs like Johnny Carey, Alf Ramsey, Walley Barnes and Roger Byrne—artists at standing off and making a winger take the ball to THEM—are much harder to beat.

I was lucky enough to see Warney Cresswell and Tommy Cropper play. It was men like them and Eric Blenkinsop who fathered the new style of full-back play. None of them was big. They were great players because their anticipation enabled them to get to the ball before the wingers. They didn't tackle unless they knew they had a good chance to get the ball, or were covered by another player.

In post-war football this style has been carried on. Here are a few of the great backs I've played against—footballers good enough for any team:

Johnny Carey, captain of Manchester United and the public of Ireland started his career as an inside-forward. He could play anywhere, but it is as a back that I remember him. He was never flustered, and had an astonishing knack of anticipation. You couldn't say he was a speed-merchant, but his positional play was so good that few wingers got away from him.

Never At Ease

Coming to present day backs, I would select these: Roger Byrne, captain of Manchester United and currently England's tight back, is frequently criticised by people who say he doesn't tackle enough and is not dominant in the back. I've played against Roger many times, and I put him among the classic backs. He uses shrewd positional play and a tremendous burst of speed to safeguard his side.

I've mentioned, and you cannot afford to forget, he recovers very quickly. So, even the fastest wingers can never feel at ease against him. He is also a fine positional player, and doesn't need to tackle much, because he can do the job by using his wits.

Alex Parker, of Falkirk, is another fine back. He's a complete footballer, and another ex-forward. Like all the chaps I've mentioned, he uses wits rather than brawn and beefy tackles to subdue wingers. The biggest fault I would find in full-backs in Britain is that not enough clubs adopt the cover back game. It is often easy to cut a winger out by standing with him on the touchline, so he never has a chance to gather the ball. But if a back persistently adopts these tactics, he will let his side down, because it leaves a gap behind the centre-half. Next time you see Preston, see how our backs will handle Cunningham and Joe Walton use the pivot back system—covering the

Cup Tie Weather

Looks as if Lancashire clubs are going to have a big say in the Cup this year. Quite easily, there could be five Lancashire clubs in the last eight. The shocks we had in Round Four, when Newcastle went out to Southampton, once again raised the question as to whether it is wise to play important Cup Ties in the bad weather part of the season.

I cannot see how it can be avoided. But the fact that we play these ties often on waterlogged or snowbound pitches in January and February explains, for instance, why a fine side like Spurs have not got to Wembley since the war.

Spurs are essentially a short-passing side. On firm going they can be world-beaters. But in the mud they get bogged down. Whatever fans may think, it is not easy even for professional footballers completely to change their style one week to the next.

Everyone knows that on present grounds the team which goes in first for the ball and uses long-swinging passes will often succeed. And that explains many of the shocks from the Third Division sides, for this is generally the style they adopt against top class teams.

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BEST YOUNG PROSPECT



Mike Lindsay, who is considered Britain's best young prospect in the discs, is expected to represent Scotland in the Empire Games at Cardiff this summer with a real chance of winning the title. Although he is now studying at Oklahoma University, he will be returning for a holiday in June and will be available for the Games. Lindsay hopes to achieve 180 ft with the discs next season. This would be the best performance so far by a British athlete and 10 ft 1½ ins above the Empire Games record set by S. du Plessis of South Africa at Vancouver. —Reuter photo.

RETURN TITLE BOUT

'Sugar Ray' To Start Training Next Week

New York, Feb. 4. —'Sugar Ray' Robinson, former Middleweight Boxing Champion of the World, today opened his training camp at Greenwood Lake for his return bout for the world crown against the present holder, Carmen Basilio.

Robinson, who lost to Basilio on September 23 last year in a split decision world title fight, said today that he would start serious training next week and that he would have no difficulty in getting down to the middleweight weight limit, as he had only five pounds to lose.

Robinson was confident about his chances of regaining his world title from Basilio. He pointed out that he had never to date lost a return bout. —France-Press.

For Week-end Hockey Fixtures

The following are the league hockey fixtures for the week-end:

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Ladies' League
Recreio "A" v Victorians, 2.30 p.m.
Recreio (Umpires: Sgt. Graham and CPO Brown).

Gentlemen's IGV, 2.30 p.m. Happy Valley (Umpires: Lt. Cmdr. Passey and Sgt. Hylton).

Recreio "B" v Kings, 4 p.m.
Recreio (Umpires: Mr. Brandt and CPO Ferris).

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Men's League
IRC v Recrio "B", 11 a.m. Soekunpo (Umpires: Mr. Mathieu and Mr. Ferra Singh).

IGVIC "A" v Recrio "A", Happy Valley, 11 a.m. (Umpires: JO Norton and Mr. Mathieu Singh).

Ray Bharat "A" v Royal Navy, 2.30 p.m. Happy Valley (Umpires: WO Hesketh and Mr. Brandt).

Second Division Play-offs—RAF v Ray Bharat "B", 3 p.m. Soekunpo (Umpires: WO Hesketh and Mr. Ferra Singh).

Valley v Maasenshi, 4.30 p.m. Soekunpo (Umpires: Mr. Van Rongen and Mr. Cresswell).

His partner at Old Trafford was Johnny Aston, another superb back who could also play centre-forward. I think Johnny's spell in the attack helped him to see moves long before they developed. You couldn't say he was a back, strong, a powerful tackler, but scrupulously fair and a great positional player. Like Carey, he could shove the ball accurately to start an attack from his own penalty area.

Wally Barnes, of Arsenal and Wales, was perhaps the finest cover back I've played against. He could tackle all round and could see danger miles away. He could crowd a winger down the touchline, and he always seemed to be there in the middle if his own centre-half was beaten.

Alf Greenwood, for so long Barnes' partner in the Welsh side, is another classy back. When Alf was with Cardiff City, he was one of the finest full-backs in Britain. Clever, confident and a good tackler. But here again he used wits rather than brute force to subdue wingers.

Perhaps the most tantalising full-back of all to play against was big George Young, of Rangers and right-back and later centre-half for Scotland. George didn't look as though he could catch anyone. But wingers and centre-forwards will tell you his long legs came out like telescopes.

I know—I've taken the ball past him and felt, "Well, that's one man out of the way," when, from nowhere, one of George's legs would scoop the ball away.

Alf Ramsey was another man who became a great full-back, although you would wonder how he did it. Alf was perhaps on the slow side, but he, too, had had experience as a forward.

He rarely tackled, but preferred to back away if he couldn't get to the ball before

Malcolm Anderson Threatens To Withdraw

Melbourne, Feb. 4. —Malcolm Anderson, holder of the United States Lawn Tennis Singles title, threatened today to withdraw from the Australian team.

The threat was made after Donald Ferguson, President of the Lawn Tennis Association of Australia, advised Anderson that it was unlikely that the council would reverse its decision rejecting his application to make a private tour with his wife.

"I think something unfair is going on," Anderson said, "because I am the first player refused the chance to tour privately. Mervyn Rose is off overseas again, privately, and yet I am the bunny."

Anderson added: "I wanted to make this a honeymoon trip. At present I am upset and very undecided. I feel like staying in Australia. I think that now they have done the dirty on me, I might just as well do the dirty on them."

Ferguson said the Council were concerned at the possibility of top amateurs jeopardising their status when left to handle their own expenses, particularly during European tours. —United Press.

Open Squash Tournament 1st Round Matches

London, Feb. 4. —Pakistan's Azam Khan and India's Jamal Din Khan won their first round matches today in the Dunlop 500 Guineas Open Professional Squash Racquets Tournament at the Lansdowne Club, London.

Azam Khan beat Britain's J.R.E. Tucker by 9-0, 9-1, 9-2. Jamal Din beat G. J. Owen of Britain by 9-5, 9-3, 9-5.

Earlier today, Pakistan's 18-year-old Mohibullah Khan beat A. E. Millan (Britain) by 9-0, 9-3, 9-3 and Ali Akbar Khan of Pakistan beat G. Shipton (Britain) 9-0, 9-2, 9-6. —France-Press.

Jack Young To Get Rugby Cap On Saturday

London, Feb. 4. —Jack Young, Oxford University wing, three-quarter and former British sprint champion, gets his first England rugby cap against Ireland at Twickenham on Saturday.

He replaces Peter Jackson (Coventry) who was injured in last Saturday's match against Australia and withdrew from the England side today. —China Mail Special.

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Austria, Norway And Japan Awarded Prizes For Special Slalom Events

Bad Gastein, Feb. 4. —Austria, Norway, Japan and Switzerland, had the honours at Bad Gastein tonight when the first three finishers of the men's and women's special slalom events were awarded their World Ski Championship medals.

The podium has been erected at one end of the Bad Gastein skating rink and has been decorated with gilded laurel leaves.

Austria's Josef Rieder, winner of Sunday's special slalom, took his place on the number one stand with his compatriot Toni Sailer on his right as runner-up and Japan's Ohharu Igaya on his left as number three.

The men were then followed by the first three in the women's special slalom, contested on Monday: Norway's winner, Inger Bjørnbakken, Austria's runner-up Putzi Franci, and Switzerland's third placer, Anna Marie Wasser.

Rieder and Sailer both stepped on to the podium in their ski outfits but "Chie" Igaya was dressed in an elegant light grey suit, decorated with Japan's colours, and he was wearing a white scarf.

The return match for the World Chess Championships between Vasily Smyslov (holder) and Mikhail Botvinnik will open here on March 4, 1958 news agency reported.

The International Chess Federation has appointed Sweden's G. Stahlberg as chief umpire. —France-Press.

Medal Ceremony

Igaya attended the medal ceremony, although he was suffering from a slight inflammation of the gums. It was understood that this would not prevent the Japanese ace from taking part in tomorrow's Giant Slalom event.

Mare Hodler of Switzerland, Chairman of the International Ski Federation, presented Igaya with his bronze medal and "Chie" also received a special gift from the Austrian National Bank—a leather case containing three gold ducats.

The crowd, which had turned up to watch the medal ceremony, applauded popular Igaya much more than the winner. Hodler, to reward him for his brilliant first run on Sunday, wired the host, the Austrian, by a second and more. —France-Press.



The Sports Parade spotlight this week goes without doubt to 22 young men who by their ability, or the luck of the draw, had the honour of appearing in the Land Forces Hongkong Individual Boxing Championships, which were held at the Queen Elizabeth II Youth Centre, Kowloon, last Friday evening.

While it is true to say that a few of them lacked the finer points of boxing skill, each one of them gave of their best and I doubt if any one of the large crowd left the Stadium unsatisfied at least on this point.

From the several interesting bouts I am inclined to "star" the light welterweight battle between Pte. Eddie Pantone, 1/E. Lan. Rgt., and Cln. Peter Leung of Command Workshops (EME). Both boys had a good knowledge of the "node art" and could hit and did, and used the ring with intelligence.

They gave and took a fair amount of punishment, but the shorter, crisper punching of Pantone gradually wore down a pucky Irishman who lost his chances by a habit of going in with his head down.

Pantone tried to cure him of this with a series of uppercuts, and finally ended his opposition with a very well timed blow to the chin, which sent the completely dazed mid-way through the third session, for the referee to step in and stop the contest in favour of the infatigable. A grand bout which will call for a repeat at some future date.

How refreshing it was to see officers competing again, and what a grand display of courage the two put up who reached the final stage. In the light-heavyweight division 2/Lt. Rupert Carrington 1/E. Lan. Rgt. faced a slightly more experienced Gar. Phillip Hunt of 74 LAA Rgt. and I suspect the former was not as completely trained as he might have been.

I had put him very slightly ahead at the end of the first round, but when he took the crowd on his feet, and it looked as if he might take the winners' laurels but, tiring in the second he left himself open and a very solid blow to the solar plexus had him gasping in agony for a count of nine, and the round ended with him down again.

Gallant Attempt

A gallant attempt in the new light welterweight class came back strongly and only great courage and a "never give in" attitude kept Carrington on his feet, to get the applause of the crowd and the runners-up cup.

2/Lt. Jeff Abbott of 74 LAA Rgt. RA, the popular Army, Garrison, and Regimental runner-up, played a fine game, but was not a very heavy heavyweight in Pte. Tony Heywood of 6 COD who, despite his size was remarkably light on his feet, and knowledgeable in his skill.

Here it was a case of a superbly fit officer taking a lot of punishment yet giving a fast and accurate return. The more experienced Heywood was never really in trouble and while he presents a larger than normal target area to hit, on this form there aren't many who will take advantage of this fact, and he looks a certainty for the Colony championships later in the season.

The special contest "hold on" to fill out the programme was an excellently matched affair with L/Bdr. Monty Stevenson opposing Cfn. Ken Boothman RMA of the Hongkong and Shanghai Regiment. Both boys were excellent, but the referee, who took the decision, was the narrowest margin.

The "little uns" represented by the flyweights Gar. Derek Gibbons of 74 LAA Rgt. and Tyr. Bushell 1/RTB gave a grand display and crowd pleasing performance by forsaking the normal action of their class of speedy movement and in and out action. These two preferred to stand and trade punches, giving the customers more than value for money.

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Another bout which caught the eye was the lightweight encounter of 1/Cpl. Ian Hewitt of 8 Supply Depot RASC with L/Cpl. Maurice Shephard of 1/B. Lan. Rgt. With the television cameras on them they both seemed to have a good chance, but their display would not be up to scratch and got down to business from the first bell, and I doubt if there was more than a couple of points between them when the final bell sounded and the

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Cardinals Have 38 Players Under Contract For 1958

New York, Feb. 4. The St. Louis Cardinals, perennial leaders in the "salary league," now have 38 players under contract for the 1958 campaign.

Outfielder Wally Moon came to terms last night, leaving only catcher Hobie Landrith unsigned.

Moon, who batted .295 last season, was given an increase by the Cardinals, who upped his salary to about \$23,000.

The Boston Red Sox, meanwhile, received contracts from outfielder Jim Piersall and southpaw pitcher Frank Baumann. Piersall led the Sox in runs scored (103) and stolen bases (14) last season while batting .261. Baumann, a former bonus baby, was recalled from Oklahoma City late last season and beat the New York Yankees on the final day of the season.

The Yankees signed their 12th player, infielder Jerry Lumpe, while Joe Denaestri, the American League top defensive shortstop last year, came to terms with the Kansas City Athletics. —United Press.

ENGLAND FAVOURED TO BEAT IRELAND

Veteran Kyle Can Make Successful Record Appearance On Feb. 8

By JOHN COTTRELL

The spoiling tactics of wing-forwards have become notoriously successful—so successful, in fact, that the fly-half position is now known as the "suicide spot" and the International Rugby Board has been forced to discourage the trend. And yet, despite the perfection of back-row play, two of the outstanding players in British rugby this season are fly-halves. I refer, of course, to those elusive master-craftsmen—Cliff Morgan and Jackie Kyle.

Morgan, who, at 27, has decided to retire from the game, is ending his ten-year rugby career in a blaze of glory. Kyle, who, at almost 32, has no intention of retiring, will break Ken Jones' world record when he gains his 40th cap at Twickenham on February 8.

Morgan was the man of the England-Wales match at Twickenham this year; his superb tactical kicking saved, and almost won, the game for Wales. Now it is Kyle's turn to play a similar role for Ireland against England.

There has been some criticism of Kyle's selection this season. It has been said he has lost some speed, that he does not blend with the potentially strong team behind him.

But his performance against the Australians, when Ireland beat a Dominion touring side for the first time in 70 years, proved that his experience and judgment fully compensate for any loss of speed.

Thus, Kyle may dictate much of the play against England, just as Morgan did. Like the great Welshman, he is always cool in a crisis, amazingly elusive, and a shrewd kicker. But don't expect the England-Ireland clash to be a precise replica of the England-Wales match, when nine-tenths of the play was taken up by the forwards.

Tactics compelled Morgan to keep kicking for touch, instead of setting his backs on the attack. He was working with a three-quarter line which was very sound in defence, but had no great scoring ability.

Kyle, on the other hand, must

provide opportunities for his three-quarter line, potentially the best attacking force Ireland has fielded for a quarter of a century.

The line-up, of which there are such great expectations, includes three senior men—Noel Henderson (captain), Cos Fiedlow and Tony O'Reilly, with 102 caps between them—and a newcomer, 18-year-old David Hewitt, whose father, an uncle, and a cousin have all played for Ireland.

Hewitt, who has been playing in senior rugby for only four months, made a promising debut for Ireland against Australia, in spite of his apparent nervousness.

Here is a three-quarter line which combines speed with experience. But last year Ireland lost their chance of Championship victory through the inability of the forwards to give the backs the scoring opportunities they deserved. Will it be different this time?

It is the fashion in modern Irish rugby for doubts and fears to centre around the pack, and these uncertainties remain. Trial games revealed no great promise among the forwards, so the pack has been rebuilt. The result is five new caps, including A.F. Dawson in the key position of hooker. R. Roe, the previous hooker, is serving overseas with the Army.

However, the performance of these forwards against the Australians is a happy augury. It was, surprisingly, the forwards who were the heroes of the match. They held the heavier pack in the set scrummages, beat them in the open, and had more success in the line-outs.

Kyle, on the other hand, must

NAME-CALLING BATTLE THREATENS TO WRECK GAMES PREPARATIONS

Rome, Feb. 4. A name-calling battle between sports leaders and politicians today threatened to wreck preparations for the 1960 Olympic Games at Rome. Everyone from the Italian Olympic Committee (CONI) to the government, the Rome City Council and Italy's largest political party was involved in the flare-up which may develop into an election issue.

Giulio Onesti, CONI President, ordered his lawyer last night to file suit against the newspaper *El Popolo*, organ of the governing Christian Democratic Party, for two editorials questioning his integrity.

Simultaneously, Rome's leading sports newspaper, *Corriere dello Sport*, charged the Government with "unbelievable lack of interest" in the Olympics. The newspaper predicted that, unless quick action is taken, the Rome Olympic village will not be completed in time.

Onesti's legal action against *El Popolo* stemmed from two editorials last week-end in which the paper charged that CONI had favoured some building contractors and asked premier Adone Zolo to investigate. *El Popolo* also charged that Onesti was supported by the Communists and that CONI was a "thriving Red colony."

Great Enthusiasm

Baltimore, Feb. 4. Avery Brundage, International Olympic Games Committee President, said today he did not regard the current

name-calling battle between Italian sports leaders and politicians as a "serious development" that would threaten the 1960 Olympics.

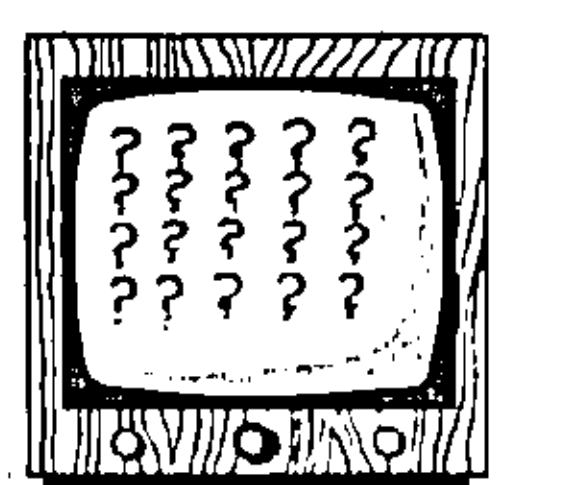
"I was in Rome in October of last year," Brundage said, "and I found great enthusiasm there for the Olympics, not only among sports figures, but among the Government officials and public."

"I was very favourably impressed by what I saw in Rome," said the top Olympic official. "There is plenty of time to finish the village." He said he did not regard the situation as comparable with that in Melbourne, Australia, which he criticised prior to the 1956 Games.—United Press.

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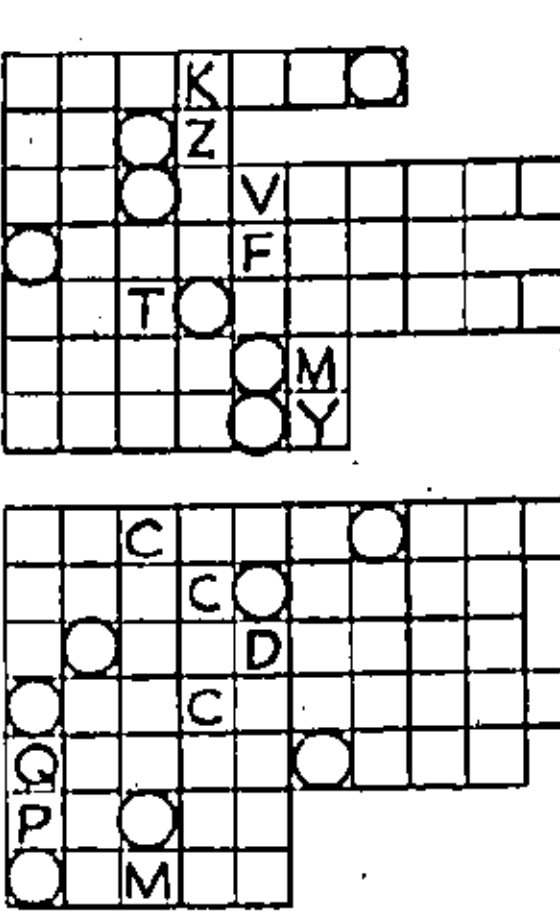
Chicago, Feb. 4. The National Baseball Congress will sponsor the Global World Series again this year. The site and playing dates for the tournament will be announced next month.—United Press.

NAME-SAKES



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2. Consists of questions and answers
3. Entertainment medium
4. Yorkshire city
5. Amuses
6. Tell
7. Round number
8. It amplifies
9. Bringing up
10. Scatter seed
11. Round-table talk
12. Interrogations
13. Such a beater?
14. Sports

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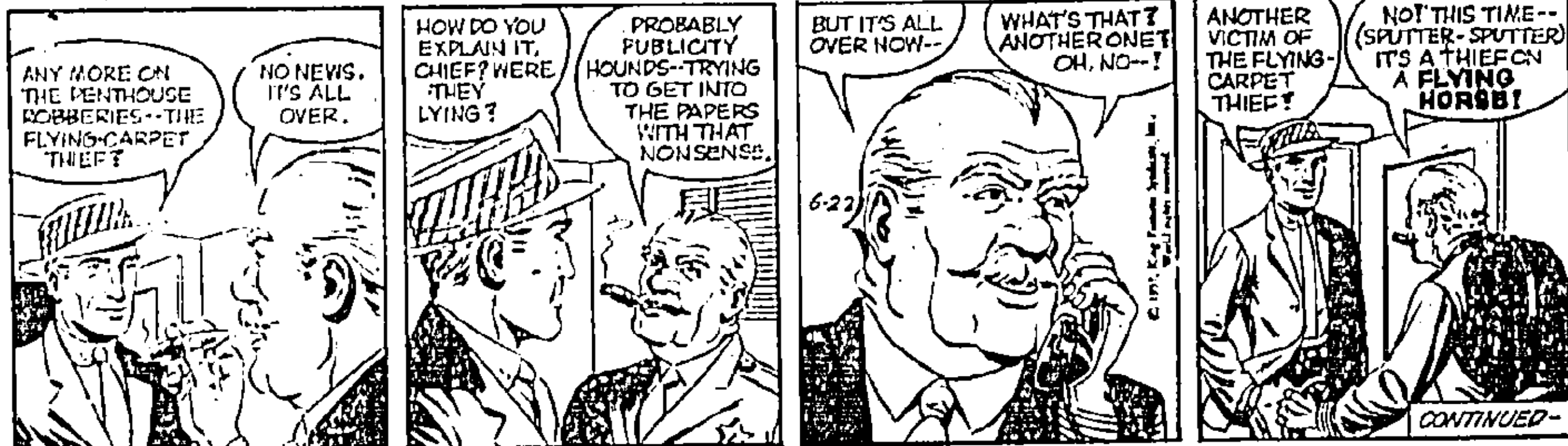
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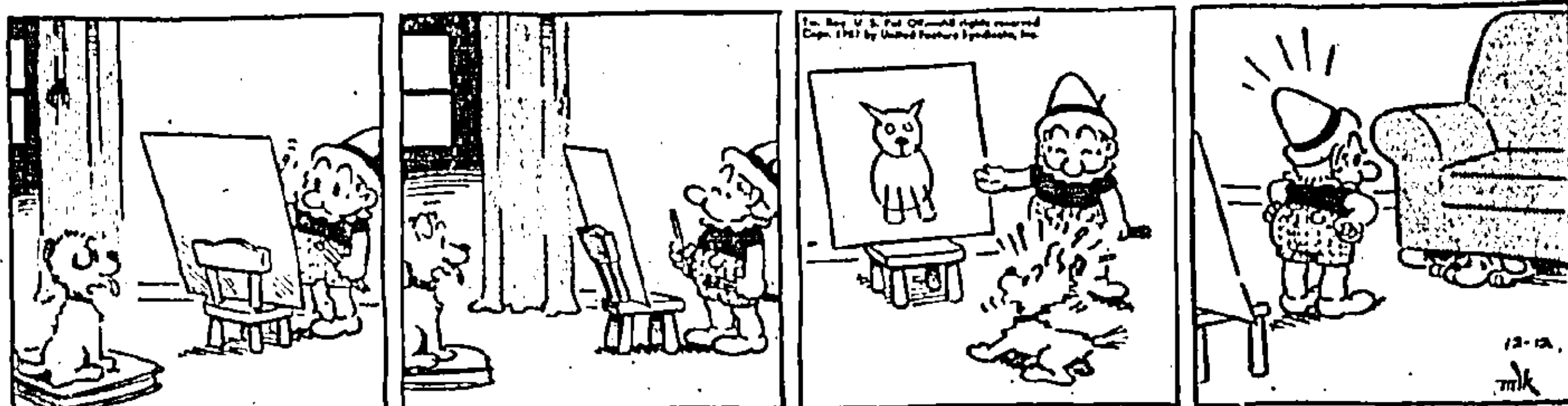


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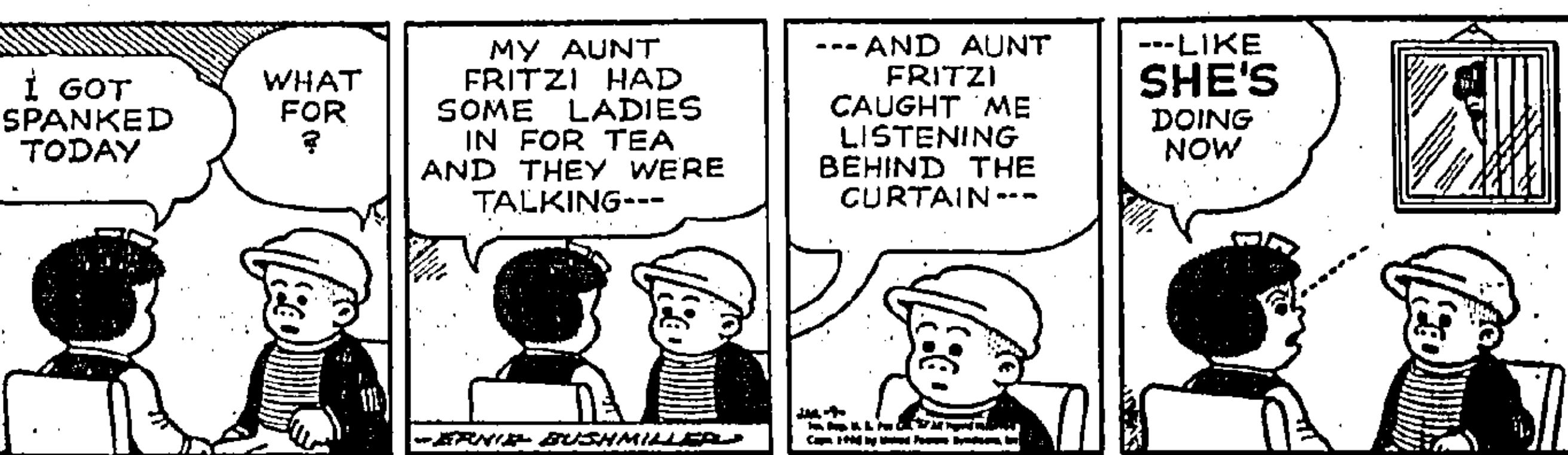


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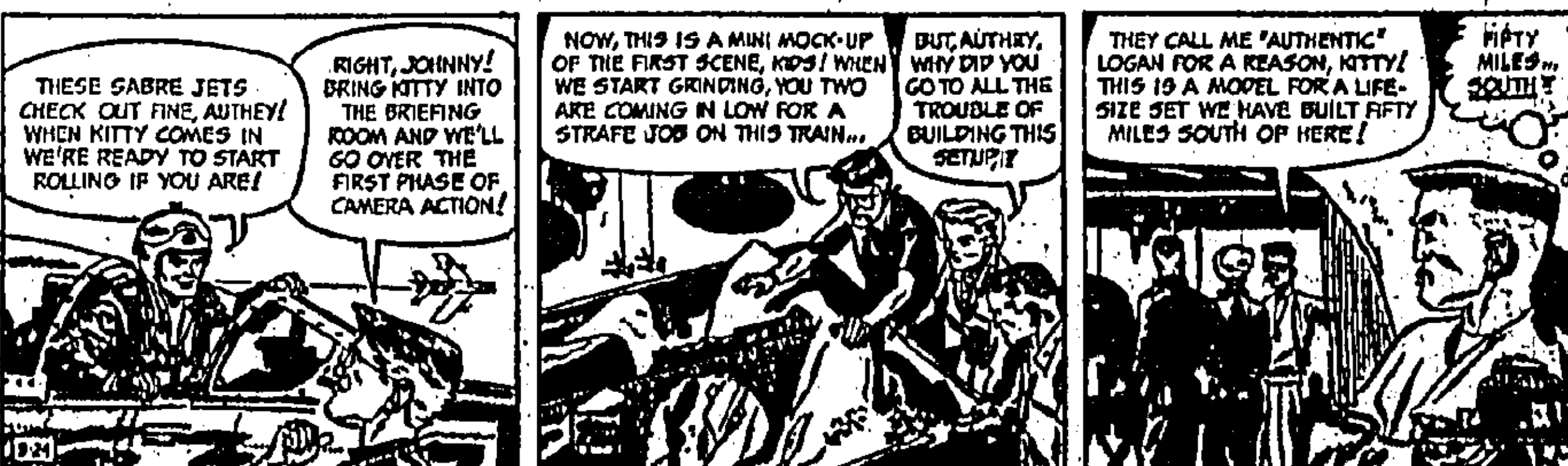


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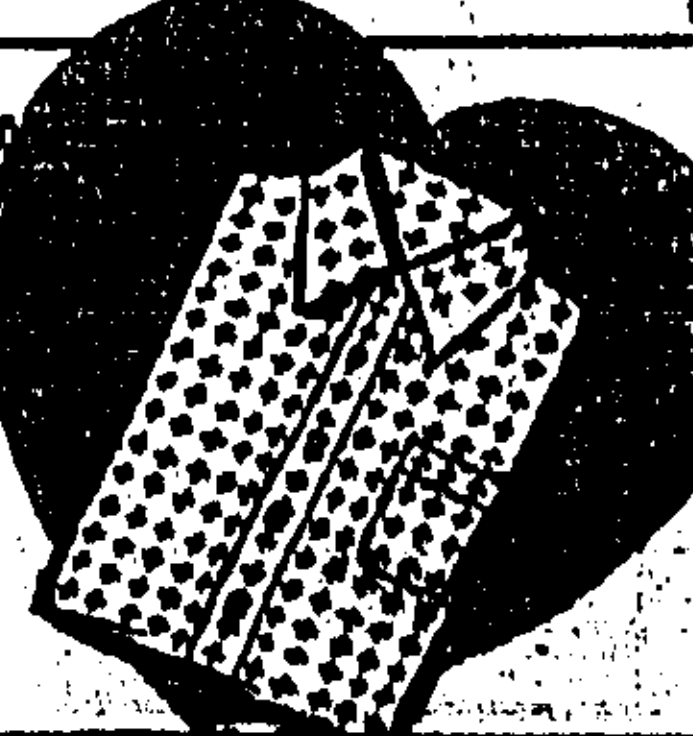
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AUSTRALIA DAY BUT WHERE WERE THE FLAGS?

Sydney (By Airmail).
We have been celebrating 170 years of Australian settlement
this weekend—a celebration that the Royal Society of St
George has been trying to get people enthusiastic about,
urging them to fly flags, decorate cars, make appropriate
speeches and pause to think.

There have been processions,
citizenship conventions, table-
aux and all the rest of it—but
somehow it has all lacked
spontaneity and been somewhat
frigidly dull. City processions
went off smartly and with pre-
cision—watched by an almost
silent 40,000.

It sums up to the fact that
we are just not a nation of flag
wavers and for all of us it was
just an exceptionally fine sun-
nier day, followed by what
we love very much indeed—a
public holiday.

ACCEPTANCE

There was, however, one
Australia Day keynote which
met with general acceptance—
that all sections are keen to
build up population with a
continuing intake of migrants,
and that much is being done to
give them and teach them—a
better way of life here.

Although the Government is
being needed by some section
of industry and all members of
the Opposition about our grow-
ing unemployment, the Prime
Minister, Mr. Menzies, has
stressed that there will be
reduction in the migrant tar-
get. He admits that it might
cause some inconvenience for a
time, but that it will be worth
it.

So far we have absorbed
since the war, some million and
a quarter new settlers into our
system without anyone starving
to death, though it could be that
we are gradually reaching
saturation point.

And if the migrants are find-
ing some sort of security here,
we too are gaining much—in
a little colour, a little gaiety,
in learning a bit about the other
fellow.

BOOTMAKER

When Hungarian Josef Kone-
zol took over a little boot-
maker's shop on one of our
harbour-side wharves, ferry
passengers heard very fine
singing coming from the shop.

The new bootmaker, they
said, was certainly keen on his
radio. Then, in brightening up
the place, Josef had the frost-
ed paint removed from his
window and that revealed that
he was doing the singing.

Most days he sings songs of
Mozart, Schubert and Lehar
as he works on his customers'
shoes.

Going at Canberra at present
is a job for a near genius.
Officially, he will be chairman
of the National Capital Develop-
ment Commission, in down to
earth terms, he'll be the man
who will run Canberra, and at
the same time try to untangle
the mess created by 25 years of
muddle, many-times divided
control; who will have to have

Six children and sisters
ranging in age from 15
years to 18 months died
today in a fire that reared
through a wooden-
frame house of this iso-
lated farming community
340 miles from Quebec
City.

The parents, Mr and Mrs
Lucien Beaulieu, 42 and 30,
escaped with three other
children and a relative, Ray-
mond Roy, 23.

MAN OF IRON

It is nearly five months since
legislation was passed to set up
the Commission and Minister
of the Interior, Mr. Allen
Fairhall, has been given the job
of finding a man of iron to run
it at a princely \$6,000 a year.

Six thousand pounds a year
is not the figure to entice men
into that type of job these days
and so far Mr. Fairhall has
been searching in vain.

He did approach the head of
the South Australian Housing
Trust, but as that official was
already drawing \$6,000 in a
much more comfortable job the
offer was declined.

He then made a pass at the
head of the Tasmanian Hydro-
Electric Scheme and felt a
nibble when he learned that
the holder of that job, Mr.
A. W. Knight, was scratching
along on \$5,000.

He then made a pass at the
head of the Tasmanian Premier
got to hear about this plot, said
some nasty things about
Federal "pirating" and up-ed
Mr. Knight's salary to \$7,000 a
year.

HOW FOOLISH

Mr. Knight, of course, im-
mediately saw how foolish he
would be to leave the lovely
climate of Tasmania.

The chairman of the Can-
berra Commission, with the
help of two assistant com-
missioners, will have the job
of directing all future develop-
ment of Canberra and control-
ling expenditure in the next
few years of millions of pounds.

The appointment of the com-
mission is urgently needed. To-
day Canberra is sprawling into
an unlovely place of 30,000
people; many houses conveni-
ently known as temporary
dwellings, but which will
last for more than a lifetime.

What should have been a
city controlled in every stage of
its development is fast becom-
ing a chain of untidy villages
without reason for being, and
so far away from the ideals of
a national capital that one can
only feel sorrow for the un-
lucky character who becomes
commissioner.

Actually, the Government
cannot be blamed for the
unlovely \$6,000 salary.
The book was originally bal-
lotted with \$10,000.

Then the Public Service
Board stepped in. The Public
Service Board is a muley or-
ganisation which, among other
things, controls salaries.
None of the Public
Service chiefs are receiving
more than \$6,000 a year and
they did not think it right
for someone on a "fancy" figure
to be brought in to run their town.

Sydney is rapidly becoming
very fed up with its glamour
and temperamental tennis stars.
In the big championships this
week a couple of them lay on
the courts in protest against a
line-man's decision; another
broke room because he lost a
match and others threatened to
cut out touring because the
Lawn Tennis Association an-
nounced that it would cut ex-
penses while in the United
States.

Most people haven't any par-
ticular belief for the ches-
s-playing attitude of the Associa-
tion but they are asking when
someone is going to come along
with sufficient strength to tell
the big boys where they get
off.

SUBSIDISED

Executives of leading Australi-
an sports goods stores met
during the week and discussed
ending payments to big time
players. They pointed out that
they have been paying these
youngsters during their overseas
trips and are now beginning to
doubt if they are justifying their
position on the payroll in rela-
tionship to business returned.

Main question of the confer-
ence was: Why should we con-
tinue to subsidise players who
are absent most of the year?
The executives decided to
stick to the idea, but one point
plain to all is that our tempo-
rary players had better settle
down and realise that not only
are the cash customers getting
fed up with their tantrums, but
also their sponsors, who have
done more than has ever been
appreciated or recognised to
bring Australian tennis to the
high standard it is today.

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Peter Finch as the Australian bushranger
leader.
LEE & ASTOR: "Jamboree." All-star disc-
jockey parade.
QUEEN'S: "Nana." Martine Carol and Charles
Boyer in Zola's classic.
ALHAMBRA: "Yangtze Bridge." A Chinese pic-
ture.
STAR & METROPOLE: "The Buckskin Lady."
Patricia Medina as the gunfighter.
HOOVER & LIBERTY: "Last Of The Bad Men."
George Montgomery in a Western.
RITZ: "Shoot-Out At Medicine Bend." Randolph
Scott in a Western.
MAJESTIC & ORIENTAL: "April Love." Pat
Boone and Shirley Jones in a musical.
CAPITOL: "Gunsmoke." Audie Murphy in a
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SHIPPING

LAID-UP BRITISH SHIPPING

London. The volume of British shipping laid up for reasons other than repair is now at its highest level for more than 10 years. At the beginning of December, 71 vessels aggregating 321,802 gross tons were laid up because of lack of employment, awaiting sale or the seasonal nature of usual occupation, according to recently issued British Chamber of Shipping statistics.

These totals were nine more ships and 98,573 tons greater than in November. There has been an almost four-fold increase in volume since July 1, when less than 82,000 tons of British shipping were laid up for these reasons.

Foreign shipping laid up at British ports for other than repair reasons almost doubled during the month. The December total of 17 ships aggregating 99,531 tons compared with nine vessels of 54,731 tons at November 1.

Thus, the total volume of shipping laid up in Britain on this account is now 412,333 tons, against 277,969 tons a month earlier, and only 12,160 tons at the beginning of 1957.

SHARP RISE
This latest sharp rise reflects the continued economic level of tramp and oil tanker freight rates.

The most recent estimate of the number of oil tankers laid up throughout the world now totals 102 vessels—some 35 more than a month ago. Total aggregate of the laid-up tankers is reckoned to be 2,219,480 dead-weight tons. This is more than 400,000 tons higher than the previous figure.

With reports of further efforts to cut oil imports into the United States and with a large build-up of stocks in Britain, it is thought that even more tankers will be compelled to lay up.

Charter rates for tankers have been at low levels for some time past and tankers have been operating at uneconomic levels. In the opinion of most shipbrokers the volume of tonnage seeking employment precludes any possibility of an increase in charter rates in the near future.

JAPANESE SHIP CREATES STIR
Los Angeles. A new Japanese-built ship, its aluminium superstructure gleaming in the sunlight, created a considerable stir when she steamed into Los Angeles harbour recently from Japan.

Sagami Shipping Line's long, low and shining Sunwalker is a combination bauxite carrier and tanker which Aluminium Limited (Canada) will operate on the British Guiana-Trinidad run. According to Captain Henry Coles, master of the ship, she will be used exclusively to carry bauxite and fuel.

The Sunwalker was built by the Urag Ship Building Co. Ltd., Yokohama, Japan. Her superstructure and MacGregor hatches are made entirely of aluminium, a metal that grows steadily more popular with shipbuilders because of its light weight and durability.

FEATURE
Another unique feature of the Sunwalkers is her shallow draught—20 feet.

The single-screw ship has a cruising speed of 10½ knots. She is 450 feet long, has a 63-foot beam and carries a normal crew of 35. She is 8,017 dead-weight tons and has a tanker capacity of 3,440 tons.

The Sunwalker is under Liberian registry.

After filling her bunkers with fuel at Los Angeles harbour's Berth 108, the spanking new vessel proceeded directly to Georgetown (British Guiana) to begin her normal run between the South American port and the island of Trinidad.

"FLAGS OF CONVENIENCE"

Paris, Feb. 4. An O.E.E.C. report today called on the United States, Britain, Japan, Norway and other maritime powers to fight the growing use of "flags of convenience" by making it more attractive for their own nationals to register shipping under their own flag.

But the Maritime Transport Committee of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation—which drew up the report—was unable to recommend any international action at present against the use of flags of convenience.

It described these flags as being those of Panama, Liberia, Honduras, and Costa Rica, all of which offer easy registration at low rates of tax to foreign shipping countries.

REPORT
The report said that in 1945, Liberia, Costa Rica and Honduras claimed no ship sailing under their flags, while Panamanian registrations totalled little more than 700,000 gross tons. By mid-1957, 12,500,000 tons of the world's merchant fleet was sailing under these four flags.

Last autumn, 18 per cent of all ships being built (and 25 per cent of all tankers) were being registered under "flags of convenience."

More tonnage is now being built for Liberia and Panama than for any other country except Great Britain and Norway.

JAPANESE SHIP'S VALUABLE CARGO
Los Angeles. OSK Line's Brazil Maru sailed out of the Port of Los Angeles recently with important cargo and passengers for the Brazilian economy.

Among cargo loaded at this port were 32 tons of oil well tools destined for Belem.

There the tools will be transhipped inland via the Amazon River to Manaus. Their ultimate destination: the steamy jungle area where exploration for petroleum is being intensified.

Also put aboard the Brazil Maru were 200 tons of infusorial earth to enrich Brazilian farmlands. This earth, favoured as a fertilizer by agriculturists around the world, is the sixth most important commodity shipped overseas through Los Angeles Harbour, Brazil, for example, imported 700 tons last year.

Finally, and perhaps most important, the OSK Line vessel carried 1,000 emigrants from Japan who were taking the long voyage to start a new life in the huge Republic of Brazil.

Skilled agriculturists in their highly cultivated native land, these Japanese will turn their talents to opening up new farmlands and thus increase the food output of their adopted country.

NO CARGO FOR NEW SHIP
South Shields, Feb. 4. The new 13,000-ton cargo vessel Atlas, which leaves the Tyne on trials today, has not obtained a cargo and her maiden voyage is in doubt because of a shipping recession.

The Atlas was built for the Anax Shipping Company, S.A., of Panama, and will be managed by the Fares Shipping Company of London.

A Fares spokesman said he hoped the vessel would not have to be laid up. The Atlas will return here after trials for about a week of adjustments and stores, he said, and it was hoped "to be able to do something" for it then.

Fares and its associates already have six vessels laid up.

—United Press.

ATOMIC CARRIER
Newport News, Feb. 4. The keel of the first atomic-powered aircraft carrier was laid at the naval shipyard here today.

The aircraft carrier, to be called Enterprise, will have eight reactors allowing it to cruise for two years without refuelling.

—France-Press.

The Satellite Market Gathers Momentum

New York, Feb. 4. The market of the satellite 'Explorer,' gathered momentum today. Prices rose in all sections, led by steels, chemicals, metals, and special issues.

The satellite issues, dormant for a time, returned to life and moved ahead. Some of the motors and tyres moved up. Many special stocks returned to power with gains running to 2 points or more.

International Business Machines, maker of office machinery and electronic brains, added more than 9 points to yesterday's sharp rise.

Gains in the steels ranged to more than 2 points. The same happened in the chemicals.

Metals made advances running to nearly 2 points. The Ralls joined the rise with the exception of New Haven preferred which fell more than 2 points when the management announced it would fight a proxy war proposed by a dissident stockholder group.

The market as a whole rose to new highs since early October. Of 1,151 issues traded, 682 were higher, 241 lower, 228 unchanged.

New York Stock Exchange volume was 2,970,000 shares. New York Stock Exchange volume (bond) was \$5,159,000. American Stock Exchange volume was 690,000 shares. Dow-Jones closing averages were:

30 industrials 458.65
20 rails 111.10
15 utilities 124.40
40 stocks 166.10
40 bonds 103.03
Comin. future price index 154.18

Closing Prices
Allied Chemicals 89.95
Allied Mills 30.95
Allis-Chalmers 52.15
Am. Brake Shoe 37.15
American Airlines 17.15
American Cable & Radio 4.15
American Cyanamid Co. 12.15
Amer. Gas & Elec. 32.15
Am. Mach. & Foundry 37.15
American Smelting 41.15
American Tel. & Tel. 8.15
American Tobacco 21.15
Anaconda Copper 43.15
Armco Steel 13.15
Carnegie Steel 13.15
Atlas Corp. Mining 9.15
Baldwin-Lima-Ham. 19.15
Baltimore & Ohio 31.15
Beneficial Finance 21.15
Berkshire Hathaway 11.15
Bethlehem Steel 20.15
Boeing Airplane 63.15
Borden (The) Co. 3.15
Burroughs Add. Machine 33.15
Carnegie Steel 13.15
Case (J. I.) Co. 25.15
Caterpillar 14.15
Celanese Corp. 47.15
C. F. Financial Corp. 12.15
Chrysler Motors 55.15
Chrysler Peabody 32.15
Coca-Cola Bottling Co. 22.15
Colombian Carbon Co. 30.15
Commercial Union 48.15
Continental Oil of Del. 43.15
Coca-Cola Bottling Co. 22.15
Cuban Amer. Sugar 19.15
Diamond Alkali Co. 20.15
Diamond Match Co. 20.15
Dow Chemicals 60.15
DuPont de Nemours 180.15
Eastern Airline 35.15
Eastman Kodak 101.15
E. Paso National Gas 30.15
First National City 27.15
Firestone Tire & Rubber 38.15
Ford Motor 41.15
General Electric 102.15
General Foods 35.15
General Motors 55.15
Gen. Pub. Util. 32.15
Gulf Oil 34.15
Glidden Co. 34.15
Goodrich (The) Co. 67.15
Goodyear Tire 33.15
Gulf Oil 34.15
Hercules Powder 37.15
Hemlock Mining Corp. 30.15
Ingersoll-Rand 89.15
Inland Steel Co. 38.15
International Corp. 38.15
Int'l Business Machines 340.15
Int'l Harvester 31.15
International Nickel 76.15
International Paper 40.15
Irr. Tel. & Tel. 40.15
John-Manville Co. 49.15
Kansas C. Power & Light 40.15
Kennecott Copper 71.15
Lockheed Aircraft 41.15
Lowe's Lumber 32.15
Lone Star Cement Co. 32.15
Lowenstien & Sons 13.15
McDonnell Aircraft (Am. Stock Exch.) 28.15
Meadell Iron Corp. 22.15
Minerals Mining 71.15
Mission Development 23.15
Monroe Chemical Co. 38.15
Montgomery Ward 30.15
Motorola Inc. 40.15
National Cash Reg. 'A' 60.15
National Dairy Prod. 41.15
National Lead 102.15
Norton Steel Corp. 63.15
New York Central 30.15
Norfolk & Western Ry. 60.15
Olin Mathieson 43.15
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Olin-Bellows Glass 20.15
Oxford Paper Co. 20.15
Pacific Gas & Elec. 31.15
Pan American Airways 14.15
Paramount Pictures 30.15
Parke Davis Co. 50.15
Penn. C. Co. 30.15
Penn. Rail Co. 30.15
Phillips Petroleum 34.15
Procter & Gamble 34.15
Pittsburgh Plate Glass 80.15
Public Service Industries 31.15
Pure Oil 31.15
Radio Corporation 35.15
Reynolds Steel 43.15
Reynolds Metal 30.15

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET
New York, Feb. 4. Cotton futures steadied in dull dealings today. Closing slightly below the day's best levels, the list ruled six to 15 points higher. The market opened three points lower to 12 points higher. New Orleans closed four to 12 points higher on bid prices.

The market opened with a nearby months down a little and the near months up a little. Prices pushed ahead and by noon gains of 50 to 90 cents a bale showed all across the board.

DULL
Afternoon trading was dull with the market levelling at the midday level and taking off slightly toward the close.

Traders attributed off steadiness to widespread covering this morning produced by a belief that prospects have dimmed for introduction of a new bill into Congress which would boost acreage allotments.

Buyers held off again today still waiting definite developments in Washington on new farm legislation. Dullness in the textile trade and low interest in the general aloofness.

The New York Cotton Exchange reported U.S. exports for the season through Jan. 30 at 2,030,331 bales. This compared with 1,800,409 bales in the like period last year.

NEW ORLEANS
Prices of cotton futures closed today as follows:

Spot 35.10
Mar. 35.11
May 35.22
Jul. 35.24
Oct. 35.25
Dec. 35.26
Jan. 35.27
Feb. 35.28
Mar. 35.29
Apr. 35.30
May 35.31
Jun. 35.32
Jul. 35.33

LIVERPOOL
Cotton future closings, in ounce per lb. were as follows:

Old contract
Mar./Apr. 25.30
Jul./Aug. 25.30
Oct./Nov. 25.30
Dec./Jan. 25.30
New contract
Mar./Apr. 25.30
Jul./Aug. 25.30
Oct./Nov. 25.30
Dec./Jan. 25.30

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Prices unquoted today.

In the United States, the average price of one-inch cotton at 14 designated spot markets was not available.

Total sales at these 13 markets were 13,890 bales.—United Press.

NAMESAKES
Answers: Talking, 2 Quiz, 3 Television, 4 Bradford, 5 Entertainers, 6 Inform, 7 Twenty, 8 Microphone, 9 Education, 10 Broadcast, 11 Discussion, 12 Questions, 13 Panel, 14 Games, Gilbert Harding.

SHIP BENEFIT LINE

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Our Own Correspondent

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$720,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions were:

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NEW ITALIAN
STERLING SILVER TIP

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DUBLIN WORKERS STRIKE

Dublin, Feb. 4. Dubliners today found their streets unswept, their garbage not collected and street lights blazing through the daylight hours for the second successive day.

About 3,000 municipal employees are on strike. The workers, demanding a pay raise, took their case to the official Mediation Board today.

Tap water turned a deep brown because there was no one to treat the source with chemicals. Health officials said there was no danger to public health yet.

Army engineers manned sewage disposal pumps. Services were affected at food markets, the abattoir, public baths, night schools, the City Morgue and cemeteries, health department, river ferries, parks and playgrounds and street lighting departments.

DARKNESS

Sections of the city were dark last night because there were no lamp-lighters working. In other parts of the city the lights blazed all day because there was no one to turn them off.

The Lord Mayor, James Carroll, stayed away from his official residence and transferred his office to his home.

"I have never passed a picket in my life and I'm not starting now," he said.—United Press.

GUNMAN GIVES UP

Paducah, Ken., Feb. 4. Gunman Ciro Burton, sought by the FBI and state police for kidnapping a Missouri state trooper, surrendered at police headquarters here tonight.

Police said Burton walked into police headquarters with hands above his head and said, "Here I am, I give up."

Earlier police had received a report that Burton, object of an extensive manhunt in this area since Saturday night, had been spotted in downtown Paducah.—United Press.

TUNISIAN BORDER PATROL PLAN OUT

French Cabinet See Too Many Difficulties

Paris, Feb. 4. Premier Felix Gaillard's Cabinet rejected today a plan for a joint French-Tunisian border patrol due to "practical difficulties," informed sources said.

The joint patrol was suggested last month by a Christian Democrat (MRP) Deputy, Maurice Schumann, after four French soldiers were kidnapped by Algerian rebels allegedly striking into Tunisia from Tunisian territory.

The Schuman proposal was designed to prevent such border incidents, a continually touchy point between France and Tunisia.

Informed sources said today, however, that the Ministers rejected the idea of a joint patrol in a morning Cabinet meeting due to "practical difficulties."

Ambassador

The Minister did not believe Tunisia's 3,000-man Moslem army could supply the necessary troops willing to fire on Moslem rebels crossing the frontier, the sources said.

The Minister also decided to keep the French Ambassador to Tunisia, Georges Gorse, in Paris "for the time being."

M. Gorse was recalled from Tunis on January 17 "for consultation" after a diplomatic flare-up between France and Tunisia concerning the four kidnapped soldiers.—United Press.

Houses Collapse

Athens, Feb. 4. Two strong earth tremors today left many homeless in Greece, shaking the villages in the northwestern Greece. Ninety houses collapsed or were seriously damaged.—Reuter.

HOT AND COLD RICE

Manila, Feb. 4.

President Carlos Garcia, blowing hot and cold on the rice-copra barter deal with Hongkong, yesterday reversed his earlier decision and authorized a Government team to go today to the British Colony to "investigate" the transaction.

Garcia two days ago cancelled the team's trip in the face of bitter Congressional charges that the transaction with the Hongkong Nam Chiao Hong was irregular and would benefit Chinese middlemen.

Meanwhile, it was reported that the Foreign Affairs Department would investigate the rice shipment's origin to end speculation as to whether it is Communist China.

The deal with the Nam Chiao Hong called for the shipment of 50,000 tons of rice to relieve the critical shortage in the Philippines. In exchange the firm was to receive Philippines copra.—France-Press.

Protest By Sweden To Indonesia

Stockholm, Feb. 4. Sweden today announced that she has objected to Indonesia's recent decision to extend her territorial waters and make all passages between Indonesian islands internal water.

In a note handed over to the Indonesian Foreign Office on January 30 the Swedish Government said it did not consider the Indonesian decision founded on international law. This opinion concerned both the extension of internal waters and the claim to a 12-mile sea limit instead of the previous three miles.

According to the opinion of the Swedish Government, "the free seas have thus been declared Indonesian water."

"This Indonesian decision is the more serious as waters which by long tradition have been open to international shipping are hence put under the control of a regime involving risk action against ships trafficking routes in said waters."—United Press.

BIG PROBLEMS ON EARTH

Lexington, Vir., Feb. 4. The British historian Dr Arnold Toynbee, here for a 15-week lecture series, said today the world's big problems were on "this planet," not in outer space.

Dr Toynbee said the "world must get some improvement in human affairs."

"There's not much time to put this planet in order," he said.

Dr Toynbee begins his series of lectures on Friday at Washington and Lee University.—United Press.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"He's the boss's son, but don't worry—he says he wouldn't work in this crummy place!"

WOMAN EMBEZZLED US\$186,000, DECLARES FBI

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 4. A Federal Bureau of Investigation agent testified today that accused embezzler Mrs Margaret L. Burton admitted dipping into the till of suburban Atlanta medical clinic and using the stolen money to finance her "expensive living."

The agent, Jesse L. Orr, was a surprise prosecution witness in the State's second attempt to convict the 51-year-old divorcee of stealing \$186,000 from the clinic, where she was employed as a book-keeper.

Orr presented a written confession he said Mrs Burton signed after she was arrested in Tulsa, Oklahoma, last August. The confession quoted her as admitting she began taking money from the doctors in January, 1956, but she said she did not think the total amount "was over \$50,000."

At first, Orr said, Mrs Burton denied she had ever used the name "Mrs Janet Gray" or that she had ever been to Atlanta. But under questioning at the Tulsa police station she admitted using the alias, and said that when she came to Atlanta, "all I had was \$1,000 and a used Chrysler."

Orr said he took both an oral and a written statement from Mrs Burton. The written confession was presented at the trial in DeKalb County superior court and read into the record as evidence.

Orr also said Mrs Burton described the flight she and her daughter, Janet Joy, 20, who masqueraded here as 16-year-old "Candy Lane," made from Atlanta late in July.

Favouritism Debate

Paris, Feb. 4. The National Assembly put off today further debate on charges of favouritism in the promotion of high-ranking army officers.

At the request of the Government the Deputies voted to postpone until an unspecified date a debate begun this afternoon on accusations that the Secretary of the State for the Armed Forces, Pierre Melayre, had abused his right to regulate promotion lists. The vote was 325 to 247.—United Press.

3 Vehicles Collide

Shortly after eight this morning, a military vehicle, a private car and a taxi travelling along Nathan Road near Wing Shing Lane, collided with one another.

According to the Police, the vehicles involved were damaged but no one was injured.

ARCHIE ZIMMERN PASSES LAW FINALS

By Our Own Correspondent London, Feb. 4. Mr Archie Zimmern, a popular Hongkong cricketer, has passed all his final examinations and is awaiting his call to the Bar.

Archie was educated at the Diocesan Boys' School where he matriculated in 1935. He was with the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps and was interned and later released by the Japanese during the war.

Following the liberation, Mr Zimmern went into business for several years and then in 1955 he went to England and was admitted to the Inner Temple to read law. His final call to the Bar will come sometime towards the end of this year or the beginning of next.

Archie is a keen cricketer. He was wicket-keeper in the school First XI and continued to play in this position when he joined the Kowloon Cricket Club.

He was Club Captain for the KCC for two consecutive seasons of 1954-55 and 1955-56 until he left Hongkong for his studies.

Archie is in the United Kingdom with his family.

Stronger Moves Taking Place In Malaya

London, Feb. 5.

The Times said today that as the Malayan Government hoisted the anti-Communist flag so opposition from Malays and Indians as well as Chinese might seize on the issue and urge the case for neutralism.

"There is a chance that the battle may not be fought," this independent daily added.

"A few years ago the non-Communist countries of South-east Asia were drawn up in distinct ranks: pro-Western anti-Communists against the neutralists.

"Lately there have been signs that these sharp lines are getting blurred. If neutralists and anti-Communists are no longer so divided Malaya may find a way through."

Two Kinds

The Times was commenting on what it described as a stronger move towards an anti-Communist line in Malaya.

The newspaper said: "The Prime Ministers of newly independent countries are usually of two kinds.

"Either they are successful revolutionaries whose past contact with fellow revolutionaries in other countries has given them some knowledge of the world or they are straightforward nationalists with no special political policy or clear-cut view of world affairs.

"When leaders of this second type attain independence they begin by looking round and formulating a foreign policy.

First Tour

"Tengku Abdul Rahman is one of the latter type and though nearly six months have passed since his country became independent he has only now set off on his first tour.

"That he should have gone first to South Vietnam and Siam however, reveals the way his mind is moving.

"When Malaya first became independent she moved cautiously away from any association with Siam. It was enough that Malaya had signed a defence treaty with Britain to show that Malaya could not share the neutralism of Indonesia or Burma.

"Now we see a stronger move towards an anti-Communist line."

The Times said the Tengku's anti-Communism clearly derived from the armed Communists and from his fears of China and the Chinese.

Schools

"Malaya's Chinese schools have shown themselves as active as Singapore's."

"If the Tengku is taking his stand on anti-Communism he may expect growing opposition from many of the Chinese. The real test will be whether opposition comes from the Malays as well."—Reuter.

YOUNG US PIANIST COMING



WALTER HAUTZIG

Music lovers who enjoyed last month's recital by Halina Czerny-Stefanska the brilliant Polish pianist, will soon have an opportunity of hearing one of America's leading young pianists.

The Music Society of Hongkong is sponsoring the appearance here of Walter Hautzig, who will give a recital at the Queen Elizabeth School, Kowloon, on Saturday, March 1, at 8.30 p.m.

Walter Hautzig was born in Vienna. Arriving in the United States at the age of 18, he was awarded a scholarship at the Curtis Institute of Music where he studied under Mieczyslaw Munz for the next five years.

His debut at Town Hall, one of New York's leading concert halls, resulted in his receiving the Town Hall Endowment Award for the Most Outstanding performance of the Year by an Artist under 30.

Since then he has played in all the leading North American cities, in England and in the capitals of Europe.

Two of his recent recordings were included by the New York Times in its annual list of 10 recommended records, among recordings by Horowitz, Gieseking and Backhaus. He is now touring the Far East, and in Japan, which he visits after his concert here, all seats are already sold for every performance.

Concert Of Recorded Music

1830 is the year of the Great Romantic Movement in France: paintings by Delacroix, Hermaut acted on the stage, poems by Lamartine and Berlioz "Fantastic Symphony." This piece by our great composer is so well-known that it has somewhat unjustly eclipsed his other masterpieces: "Benvenuto Cellini," "Beatrice di Benedict," "Le Roi Lear," "Harold en Italie," and "La damnation de Faust."

M. J. Laveranno has taken these as the theme of the next concert of recorded music which shall take place in the premises of the Alliance Francaise, 45 French Bank Building, at 8.30 p.m. today.

The talk will be in both French and English and will be illustrated by long excerpts from the above-mentioned compositions.

All music-lovers are cordially invited.

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From the Files 25 years AGO

THE Hongkong Branch of the League of Nations Society held its annual meeting at Helena May Institute on February 3. The following were elected officers for the ensuing year: President—Mr. C. H. M. Alves, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Professor R. Robertson, Hon. Dr. William Shenton, Mr. J. Okamoto and the Hon. Dr. S. W. Tso, Hon. Secretary—Mr. S. V. Boxer, Assistant Secretary—Miss W. I. Griffin; Hon. Treasurer—Dr. Y. S. Wan; Council Members—Messrs A. el Arcull, J. D. Bush, Rev. C. K. Carpenter, Miss N. E. Elliott, Mr. Wm C. Felshaw, Mrs. E. W. Kirk, Rev. N. V. Halward, Capt. T. T. Laurenson and Mr. R. C. H. Lim.

An enjoyable evening was spent by those who attended the annual dinner of the Hongkong Automobile Association in the Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, last night (Feb. 4). The arrangements were made by a committee convened by Major C. M. Manners and comprising Capt. T. T. Laurenson, Mr. K. Lo and H. Hong Sins.

THE Volunteer order of Feb. 3—the following officers, NCOs and men qualified on Sunday, January 22, for the Hongkong Automobile Association, highest possible score, 40—Lt. J. S. Rodrigues 36, 40—Lt. J. V. Ribeiro 34, Lt. J. V. V. Remedios 34, Cpl. F. F. Cruz 30, Lt. H. J. Silva 30, Cpl. M. A. Baptista 30, Sgt. F. A. A. Remedios 30, Sgt. H. M. Brito 32, Lt. Cpl. H. de Sa 32, Sgt. A. Garcia 30, Lt. Cpl. M. de V. Soares 30, Lt. Sgt. J. P. Baleros 30, Pte S. E. Sousa (1887) 29, Cpl. V. H. Nunes 34, Pte L. H. Rocha 32, Cpl. J. D. Remedios 34 and Pte N. A. Belraio 30.

Arrival from Manila by the American Mail liner, President Taft, included: Mrs Theodore Roosevelt, Sr., wife of the ex-President and mother of Col Theodore Roosevelt, Governor-General of the Philippines. Mrs Roosevelt is returning to the US after a month's stay with her son in Manila.

THERE are bright signs for the British Empire, according to the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Walter Runciman, surveying the world in a speech at St Ives Chamber of Commerce dinner. He refused to take a gloomy view of the British position, or of the world situation generally. There would, he said, be a gradual return to prosperity and if we were prepared to be enterprising, as well as patient, the future of Britain was assured.

Hongkong last night had its first exposure to a marvellous exhibition of chess by the world champion, Dr Alexander Alekhine. The exhibition took the form of a simultaneous blindfold display against 10 boards, with four players consulting at each.

THE Hon. Comdr Hole at the Marine Court yesterday imposed a fine of \$100 on the Hongkong and N. T. Ferry Co. for having failed to maintain the ferry service to Cheung Chau on January 26 and 27 in accordance with the schedule attached to their licence. The defendant pleaded that the ferry did not operate on these two days as it was the Chinese New Year and it was a custom which had been observed for the past 10 years. Moreover, there were no passengers on the two days mentioned.

In a review of the British Navy for 1932: During the past year the British Navy has lost rather than gained in strength. Five capital ships have been discarded in the terms of the London Treaty.